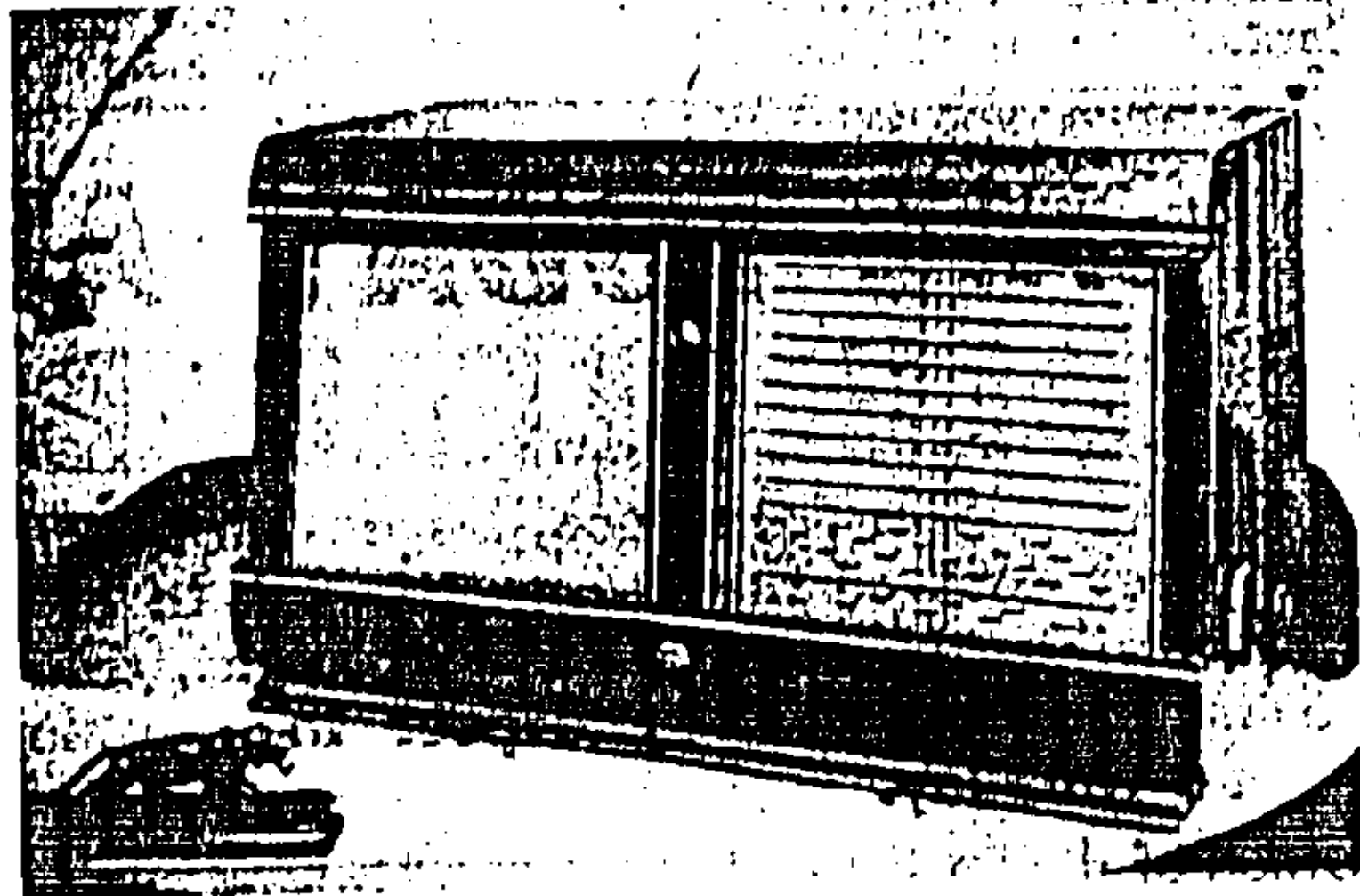




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Sino-British Dramatic Club, general meeting, at PRO Lecture Room, 6.30 p.m.
H.K. Choral Group Charity Concert in aid of Home for the Aged, China Fleet Club Theatre, 8.15 p.m.
H.K. Singers rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Whist Drives, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

H.K. Rotary Club, talk on "The Lost Ten Tribes of Israel," Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
The H Club meeting, Tai Bot House, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Yam Yee Finance Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, King's Bldg., 11.45 a.m.
H.K. Society for Protection of Children, annual meeting, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y. M. C. Club meeting, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY

Street Sweepers Society, annual general meeting, PRO Lecture Room, 5.30 p.m.

DECREE NISI

A Decree Nisi was granted at the Supreme Court on Saturday by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) in favour of Mr. Ludmila Kozlovskaya Sheremeta, who petitioned for a dissolution of her marriage to Mrs. Konstantin Petrovich Sheremeta on the grounds of adultery.

ROSE DAY

A first sale of roses will be held by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in aid of its funds. The Society, which has been doing excellent work for a number of years, among the poor and needy, is depending entirely on Rose Day sales, and subscriptions, to hold its annual motor car rally.

SHIPPING RANKS FIRST IN NOVEMBER

British shipping, in and out of Hong Kong ranked first during the month of November with a total incoming tonnage of 384,993 and an outgoing tonnage of 362,166.

Chinese and Dutch shipping followed with a total incoming tonnage of 107,107 and outgoing tonnage of 111,000 for Chinese ships, and a total incoming tonnage of 73,251 and an outgoing tonnage of 79,088 for Dutch ships.

In the period under review, 93 British ocean-going vessels, aggregating 253,105 tons, and 121 foreign ocean-going ships, aggregating 252,890 tons, arrived in the Colony. Total net tonnage of incoming ocean-going ships was 648,002.

Compared with the previous month's figures, British ships arriving here in November showed a decrease of 13 vessels but an increase of 300 net tons. Foreign ocean-going ships showed a decrease of 11 vessels and a decrease of 77,341 net tons.

Compared with October, there was a total decrease of 18 vessels of all nationalities in November and a decrease of 60,470 net tons.

A total of 549 ships left Hong Kong harbour during November aggregating 684,001 net tons. Details of November's arrivals follow:

British: 93 ocean-going vessels (tonnage: 253,105; passengers: 10,297); 197 river-steamers (tonnage: 120,887; passengers: 30,463; cargo: 5,212 tons).
American: seven ocean-going vessels (tonnage: 31,007; passengers: 48).
Chinese: 49 ocean-going vessels (tonnage: 69,723; passengers: 2,073); 148 river-steamers (tonnage: 37,384; passengers: 15,016; cargo: 3,321 tons).
Danish: eight ocean-going vessels (tonnage: 34,978; passengers: 39).

THREE DEATHS IN CAIRO RIOTS

Cairo, December 4. The casualty figures in today's student demonstrations in Cairo were given tonight as three killed and 50 people injured.

The killed included the Cairo City Police Commander, Selim Zak Pasha, who died from injuries received when a hand grenade was thrown at his car. The University Council at Alexandria has decided to suspend studies until Friday—Reuters.

End Of Caste System In India Significant

Pacific Grove, California, December 5.

Renunciation of the caste system by India is more significant to future American foreign policy than Communist gains in China, the World Affairs Council of Northern California was told on Saturday.

Dr. John B. Condliffe, University of California economics professor, asked the Council's second annual conference to realize the importance of the revolutionary spirit in Asia which, he said, India's action symbolizes.

"Empire in the East is dead," he said. "It has not completely laid down yet but it is dead."

He urged Americans to refocus their thinking about foreign policy along these lines: (1) Reduce present emphasis on European events and appreciate the long range emphasis of Asiatic affairs; (2) Stop overemphasizing military factors in the current conflict with Russia.

Sharp Knowledge
Condliffe said he does not underestimate the importance of military strength but he stressed that success of the European Recovery Programme and U.S. foreign policy depends in a large part on revival of world trade.

He declared this trade revival will be impossible without full participation of Asia, particularly of India with its mineral supplies and manpower reserve.

He said America could help Asiatic countries, especially India, on the road to strength and trade within a generation "if we would share our great technical, industrial and know-how."

"We will not help by doing out our tremendous economic surplus," he said, "but only by sharing the secrets of the productivity which makes that surplus possible."

"India has just taken to step along the same road which we took during the revolution. Other countries want to take the same step and perhaps it would not be a bad idea to let them know we are with them."—Associated Press.

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This 1948 version of the rickshaw, seen at the Cycle and Motorcycle Show at Earls Court, in London, bids to revolutionize the taxi service in many tropical countries. It has a small engine beneath the seat which accommodates two passengers.—(AP Photo)

Delay In Salvaging Typhoon-Grounded Ship

Adverse circumstances have delayed the salvaging of the typhoon-grounded Chinese motorship Mui Lee now lying in shallow waters in How Bay.

Two Robbers Hold Up Picnic Bus

Holiday picnickers travelling on the bus along Customs Pass yesterday afternoon, must have been thrilled by the experience of being held up by armed bandits, when two Chinese fellow passengers, one armed with a revolver, held up their bus and relieved the conductor of about \$50, but did not molest the passengers.

According to a report made to the Kowloon City Police Station at 5.35 p.m. yesterday, a bus conveying about 20 picnickers was returning to Kowloon via Customs Pass when two men, one armed with a revolver, suddenly made their appearance, known and held up the conductor at pistol point, relieving him of about \$50.

No attempt was made to search or rob the passengers. A police officer happened on the scene and the robbers, trying to escape, fired one shot. No one was hit.

The armed man escaped but the unarmed robber was taken into custody.

ANGLO-DANISH TALKS

London, December 3. The Anglo-Danish talks began in London yesterday on the subject of the Danish Brigade taking part in occupation duties in Germany have been interrupted for four days for the Danish Defence Minister, Mrs. Rasmus Hansen, to consult his Government in Copenhagen.

The aim of the talks is to settle what is to happen when the existing Anglo-Danish agreement expires on May 15, 1949.—Reuters.

Concrete Ship Arrives In Hong Kong

The first concrete ship to be used for storing dangerous cargo arrived here yesterday after being towed through rough seas for nearly two weeks in the China Sea.

She is the ss. Feldspar, which left Subic Bay on November 20 but was diverted from her course to Takao, Formosa, lashed by typhoon waves and heavy winds, she lost two cranes and a rope ladder en route, but sustained no damage herself.

The tug Sen Badger, which towed the Feldspar safely to Hong Kong, reported no damage, despite the severe battering. Feldspar, meanwhile, is anchored in the Dangerous Goods Area. The Sen Badger, it was reported, will depart for Shanghai tomorrow.

Stripped of her engines, the Feldspar, one of two available vessels of her kind at Manila, weighs about 4,000 tons and has five large holds. She is estimated to cost about HK\$110,000. It was learned. "The other craft is the ss. Mando."

It was reported by the company which purchased the craft that a general inspection will be held today. The ship will have to be surveyed by the local authorities before she is permitted to store dangerous cargo. The necessary adjustments will have to be made to comply with the requirements here.

ss. Mando To Leave HK For South

The Panamanian freighter Mando has been released by the Panamanian Consul here yesterday and is due to leave for Port Campina this afternoon.

Seven European members of the crew who demanded more food and better pay and working conditions, were signed off last week-end and will be repatriated by plane to Amsterdam this morning, the Consul told a "China Mail" reporter yesterday. The Mando obtained her clearance yesterday, and will call at Port Campina, near Haiphong, to pick up 5,000 tons of coal for Japan.

Each seaman said that he would sign on with another ship "but this time we will be very sure of what we are signing." The men, including the ship's Italian chief cook, Caprioli Gastone, who was discharged at Saigon by the master, a Spanish waiter, two Irish seamen, a Dutch stoker, a Spanish carpenter and an Italian stoker, will separate at Amsterdam and go to their respective countries.

While awaiting repatriation, the men are staying aboard the Mando. Arrangements to fly them home were made with Waller and Company yesterday by the Consul.

Cut In Hotel Rates To Be Recommended

Considerable reductions in the rates charged by the foreign-style hotels, and practically no change in the Chinese hotel rates, are expected to be among the recommendations of the Committee on Hotel Rates, headed by the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau.

"According to the Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Association, the recommendations were handed to the Governor on Saturday."

The newly-formed committee of the association is taking the stand that any reductions in hotel rates should be made retroactive from the date that Mr. Earle, then Quinquennial Authority, introduced his new rates (August 1).

The association gives as the reason for its stand the fact that Mr. Chau's Committee blamed the hotel management for the delay in reaching a settlement. It will also refer to the hotel's heated co-operation of the hotel residents with the Investigating Committee.

The request for the rates to be retroactive will be made by the association when the new rates are announced.

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SHANGHAI TODAY IS CITY OF RUMOURS

(Exclusive To The "China Mail")

Shanghai today is a city seething with rumours with its population desperately attempting to safeguard its livelihood in face of the near-coming Communist threat.

That is the picture of the Whangpoo metropolis as presented to a "China Mail" reporter yesterday aboard the Chinese steamer Ha Ven, which arrived here from Shanghai with 83 first class passengers, including some of the staff and dependents of her owners, the Wah Sung Shipping Company of Shanghai.

The ss. Ha Ven berthed alongside No. 1 Kowloon Wharf Pier to disembark her passengers, who seemed to have brought with them their entire belongings from soap boxes to expensive satin cushions. After nearly three hours at the pier, the vessel steamed off to her usual mooring off Yau-mat.

Shanghai is today uneasily beset with rumours, those interviewed by the "China Mail" sighed resignedly. "Evacuees coming to Shanghai from the North are partly to be blamed," a businessman, who is transferring his office to Hong Kong said. These people are full with "stories" of disorders up North, he asserted. They tell of soldiers roaming in Tientsin streets, looting food stores without disciplinary control, and riots. "It might be true, but is probably greatly exaggerated," the informant, who arrived alone, declared.

Others spread a wave of fear with tales of Red atrocities, which they have heard from "victims." This has added tremendous impetus to the already swelling fear of the Reds, permeating Shanghai for the past few months, the source told the "China Mail."

Then there are the local rumours, which have caused several institutions to be beset by nervous residents recently, he said.

Selling Of Gold

Last month, the Government began to sell gold bullion and silver apparently as a means of shrinking the gold yuan note circulation and of stabilising the currency, he stated.

There has been an unprecedented rush for gold and silver at several banks permitted to convert gold yuan he related. Lately a rumour, yet to be confirmed, was spread to the effect that the Government would cease the conversion in a very short time. This has resulted in banks being mobbed by thousands who queue up for

blocks to get rid of the uncertain Chinese currency.

Police had to called on several occasions to break up the unruly crowds outside the banks to maintain order, he said.

A recent Government announcement that residence certificates must be in proper order for the holder to be entitled to the forthcoming rationing has led thousands of residents to besiege the City Government Building, where the Civil Affairs Bureau employees are working to legalize the certificates, the well-informed source said.

These residents had inadvertently erred in following instructions on the rationing, he said, and are now afraid that their certificates would be null and void.

They surrounded the building refusing even to permit the clerks to go out for lunch, he said. Eventually, however, after prolonged persuasion by the officials, the crowds dispersed gradually.

Strict Curfew

The only apparent indication of a war threat looming over Shanghai today is the curfew which freezes traffic at 11 p.m., another passenger told the "China Mail."

This has affected the nocturnal social activities of Shanghai residents, he remarked. Public vehicles have to stop running by 9 p.m., and pedestrians, nursing babies and children, are charged with carrying lanterns after the deadline.

Public establishments, including movie halls and other places of entertainment, close before 10.45 p.m. Transport services, land, sea and air, have altered their schedules to conform to the curfew hours.

The disembarkation of the Ha Ven passengers at the wharf yesterday morning went off smoothly and orderly.

Argentina Preparing For Assembly Elections

Buenos Aires, Argentina, December 5.

Delegates to an Assembly which will amend the constitution of this country will be elected in Argentina's first constitutional balloting in two and a half years today.

President Juan D. Peron and his Peronista Party favour changing the Bill of Rights, while the opposition stands firm in defence of the constitution adopted in 1853.

With two major opposition parties obtaining because of what they claim was a lack of liberty in the pre-election campaign, President Peron's followers are expected to capture a majority of the total of 158 seats at stake. The Assembly will be convened next March.

The Peronists already have announced that if they control the Assembly, as expected, one of their first acts will be to amend the constitution to permit the President to succeed himself.

Radicals Oppose

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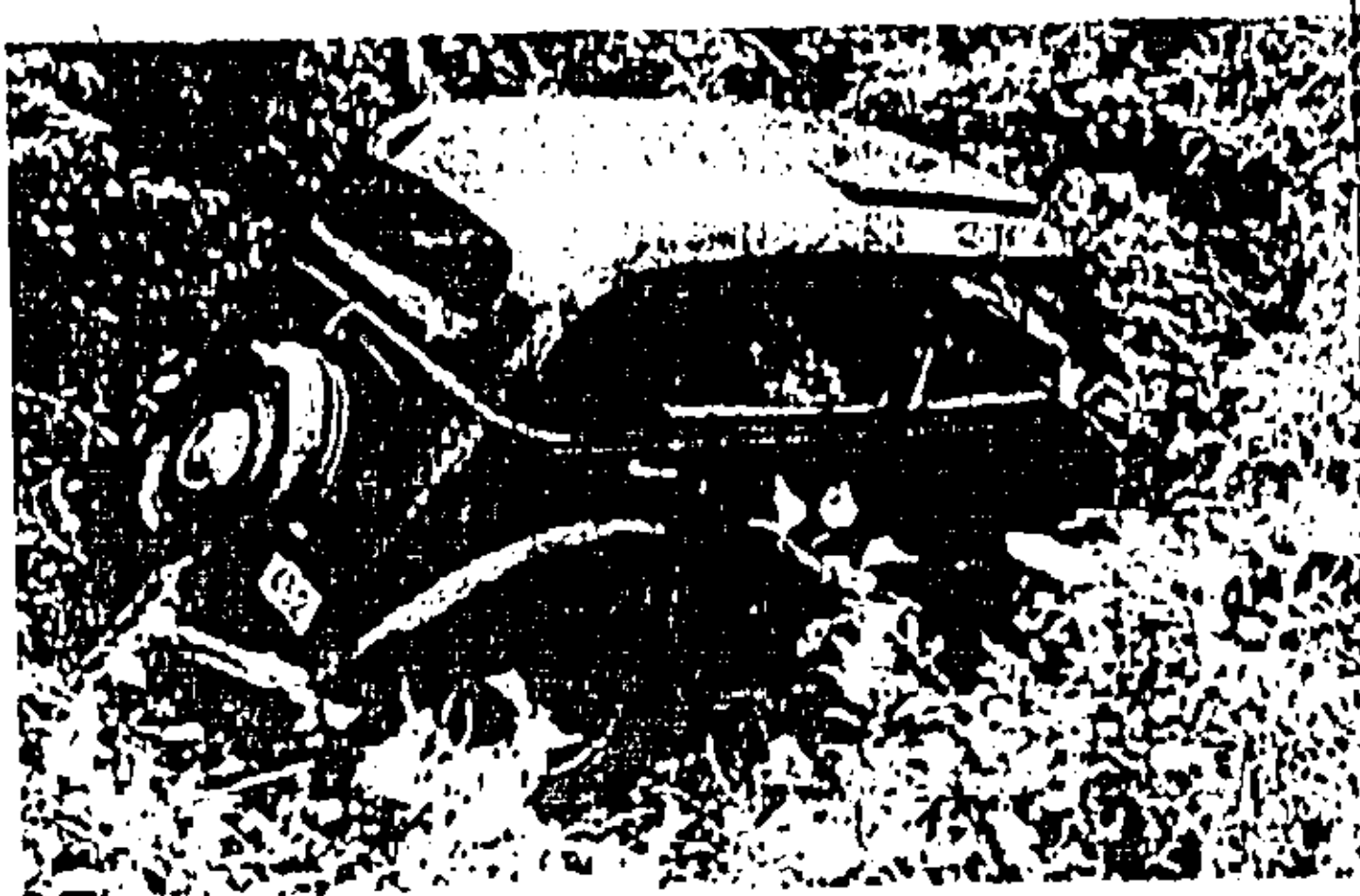
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Car Falls Down Cliff



Pictured above is private car 452 which fell about 16 feet down the cliff along Tai-po Road at 7.50 a.m. yesterday. Two of the passengers were injured.—("China Mail" photo).

Two Chinese Escape Car Mishap

Two Chinese, one a licensed driver and the other a learner, miraculously escaped injuries when the car in which they were travelling along Tai-po Road went off the road and fell a distance of about 16 feet.

According to a police report, private car No. 452, driven by Wong Yim, a learner driver and accompanied by licensed driver Chan Hung, was proceeding along Tai-po Road in the direction of Kowloon at about 7.50 a.m. yesterday.

When passing Tai Wai Village, the car was travelling about 30 m.p.h. and was following another private car No. 9620 which was travelling at a much slower speed. Wong, seeing that his car was travelling much faster than the car ahead, in order to avoid running into the rear of the other car suddenly braked at the same time swerving to the right. The car skidded and went off the road, falling a distance of about 16 feet.

Inter-School Athletics

There was a large attendance at the first day's heats in the inter-school sports meeting at the South China Athletic Association's ground at Caroline Hill yesterday.

The following were the results of yesterday's meet:

Finals

Hop, Skip and Jump (Boys—Senior)

1st—Peter Chan (La Salle), 12.4 metres, 2nd—Ho Kwok-kuen (Chi Hong), 12.34 metres, 3rd—A. C. Ismail (St. Joseph), 11.62 metres.

Putting The Shot (Boys—Senior)

1st—Chan Kam-wang (Far East), 10.90 metres, 2nd—Conrad Wong (St. Joseph's), 9.9 metres, 3rd—Wong Wai-chi (Far East), 9.87 metres.

Long Jump (Boys—Junior)

1st—Ip Kam-chuen (Wah Yan), 5.35 metres, 2nd—Kam Ki-tai (Tung Chi), 5.32 metres, 3rd—Yuen Ping-fat (Chung Wah), 5.17 metres.

High Jump (Boys—Junior)

1st—Hu Ming (Chi Hong), 1.49½ metres, 2nd—Choy Tin-kwai (Ling Ying), 1.40 metres, 3rd—Yeung Wing-pak (Klin Hsin), 1.40 metres.

Throwing The Baseball (Girls—Senior)

1st—Leung Leung (Tak Tak), 38.80 metres, 2nd—Chan Hui-lin (Chi Hong), 30.05 metres, 3rd—So Sau-fong (Chi Hong), 20.95 metres.

HOCKEY RESULTS

Results of Hong Kong Hockey Association fixtures played yesterday:

RAF	0	Recreation	3
Cable & Wireless	0	HK Police	2
Army	5	Civil Service	2
Khalsa	4	Dutch	0
Navy	2	Dockyard RC	0
YMCA	0	University	1

Notre Dame's Record Shattered By Trojans

New York, December 4.

In a thrilling climax to a comparatively dull college football season, an embattled Southern California team today snapped Notre Dame's 21-game winning streak by playing the Fighting Irish to a 14-14 tie at Los Angeles Coliseum.

A crowd of 100,571 fans watched the thrice-beaten Trojans repeat history by putting an end to Notre Dame's all-time unbeaten record. They had once before turned the same trick, when in 1931 they tripped Knute Rockne's Ramblers, 16-14, to end an unbeaten record of 20 games.

Notre Dame scored its tying touchdown with only 35 seconds left to play, with the help of a pass and an interference penalty which gave them the ball on the USC one-yard line. After halfback Bill Gay ran back the kick-off 83 yards to the Trojans' 13-yard line, centre Gene Beck interfered with Gay on Bob Williams' pass into the end zone. This set the stage for Emil Hitt to buck over, and Steve Oracko converted to tie the score.

Just In Time

Trojans, ahead by seven points as they went into the last period, had moved into a 14-7 lead on two touchdowns by Bill Martin, Dean Dilks passing and two extra-point conversions were big factors in the Southern California score.

The huge crowd cleared out of the stadium just 10 minutes before it was rocked by the earthquake which struck a wide area of Southern California this afternoon.

Elsewhere on the football front, Clemson closed out an unbeaten season with a 20-0 victory over Citadel which gave Tigers the

\$64 Question: How Will The Reds Treat Shanghai Foreigners?

Shanghai, December 5.

Americans in Shanghai are not so much jittery as confused over what the situation will be if and when the Communists take over Shanghai. It is a gamble to figure out the Chinese Red attitude toward foreigners.

The best guesses of top level observers are summed up thus: The Communists may be would not exactly like to do business with Americans, but would be forced to, wherefore toleration would be extended but without any smiles.

American diplomatic officials think differently. They profess to see little hope for satisfactory treatment of Americans under Communist China. They do not expect, however, mass brutality or anything like it under the Reds but do look forward to the danger from Chinese mass reaction to the Communist regimentation.

Businessmen point out that the Communists will have to look somewhere for foreign trade and profits. These men say the Chinese Reds cannot hope for Russian trade to keep the Chinese Reds a going concern. Somebody will have to buy from China and sell to China things that it needs whether it is under Red or Nationalist control.

Diplomatic officials agree that U.S. protection of a sort

will be provided to Americans, but not the type by which Americans would be able to operate with complete freedom.

The British attitude is clearly developing into one of sit back and let the Reds come in, then proceed to do business with them.

British Position

One British source made no bones about it. He said there is plenty of reason to believe that the British apparently have received assurance from Communist contacts in Hong Kong that they would be treated well by the Chinese Reds.

The British-owned North China Daily News, which in recent months has many times condemned the Nationalists for not destroying installations, supplies and arms when pulling out of cities, raised a loud editorial complaint when the Nationalists blew up some British-owned docks at Shanhaikwan.

The American-owned Post and Mercury, in an editorial yesterday, said that Americans should be told specifically whether they are to stay where they are for the preservation of America's stake in China. We think that Washington should make up its mind clearly and tell the world whether it is treating Communism in China as an enemy with reasonable prospect that Communism will respect, or as something with which business ought to be done if the Communists take over.—United Press.

FETE, FAIR FOR SERVICES

A Fete and Fair will be held at Flanagan House on Saturday in aid of Services Welfare. It will be formally opened at 2.30 p.m.

The Fair will include attractive stalls and slideshows. For children, there will be a treasure hunt, bran tub, pony rides, teas, ices, and soft drinks. The Band of the 1st Battalion, The Buffs, will be render a musical programme during the afternoon.

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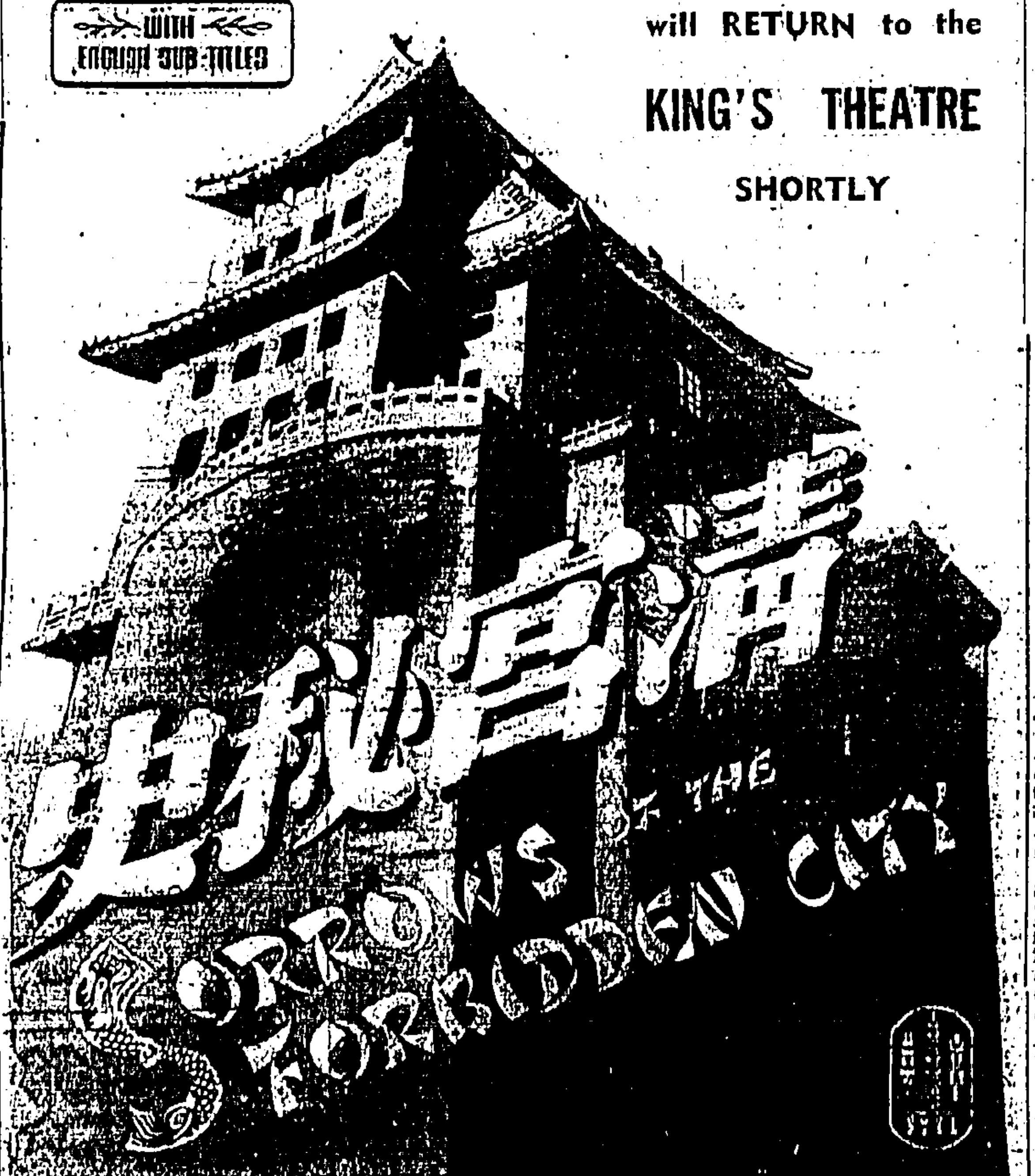
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE
K. W. KIRBY
Secretary

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This will then be followed immediately by THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to receive a report of the Year under review from the outgoing President, and to elect the following:—

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Just look at them. Isn't it clear that a spade lead would present South a trick, enabling him to get two tricks there instead of one? Now look at hearts. One player led the heart 4. The J. won that, the A was scored and shortly thereafter the K made possible a club discard, so that only one trick was dropped in clubs plus two each in diamonds and spades to make the contract.

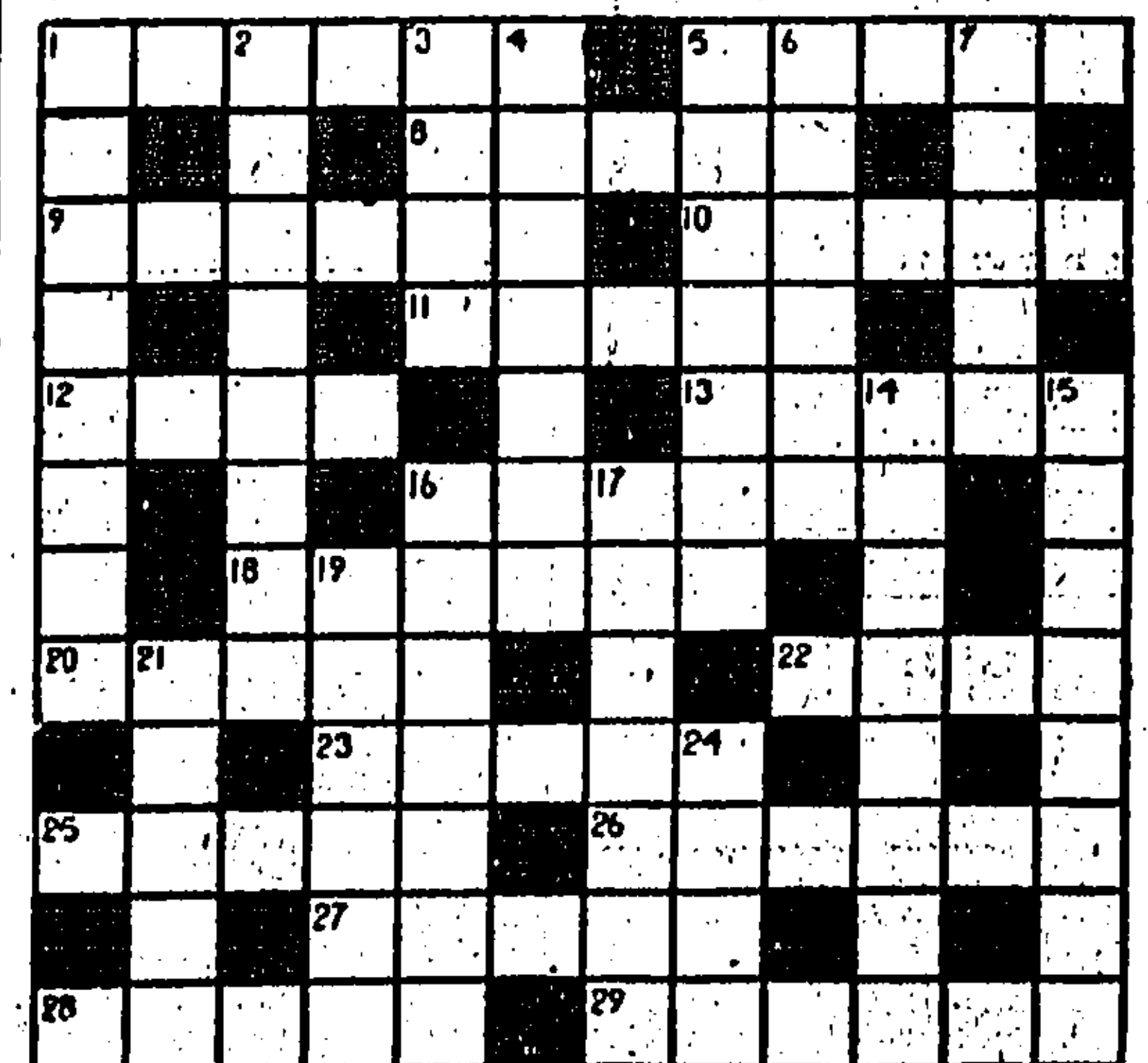
Where a club was led, the declarer was beaten a trick, losing two each in clubs, diamonds and spades. In other words, the higher the card underled, the less chance it would cost a trick. A truly sound student of leading should prefer clubs on this deal, as the 10 is so low it is unlikely to be a potential winner anyway, whereas the chance of either major Q winning is great if it is not impaired by the lead.

Tomdrow's Problem
S. A 10
H. 10 5 4
D. J 10 8 5 3
C. J 10

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable.)
West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 1 D
Pass 1 NT Pass 2 D

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7 Fatty.
14 Fish.
15 Guesses.
16 Mutilation.
17 store.
18 Pudding ingredients.
21 Run away.
24 Jug.

Saturday's Crossword

Across: 1 Credit, 5 Secret, 8 Red, 9 Union, 11 Cap, 12 Tins, 14 Hel, 16 Taste, 18 Amass.
Down: 2 Ties, 27 Litho, 28 Reclad, 30 Churn, 2 Exit, 3 Iron, 4 Taster, 5 Secrete, 6 Express, 7 Tangled, 10 Sire, 13 Caramel, 14 Harpoon, 15 Isolate, 17 Anent, 19 Lens, 20 Latent, 24 Mecca, 25

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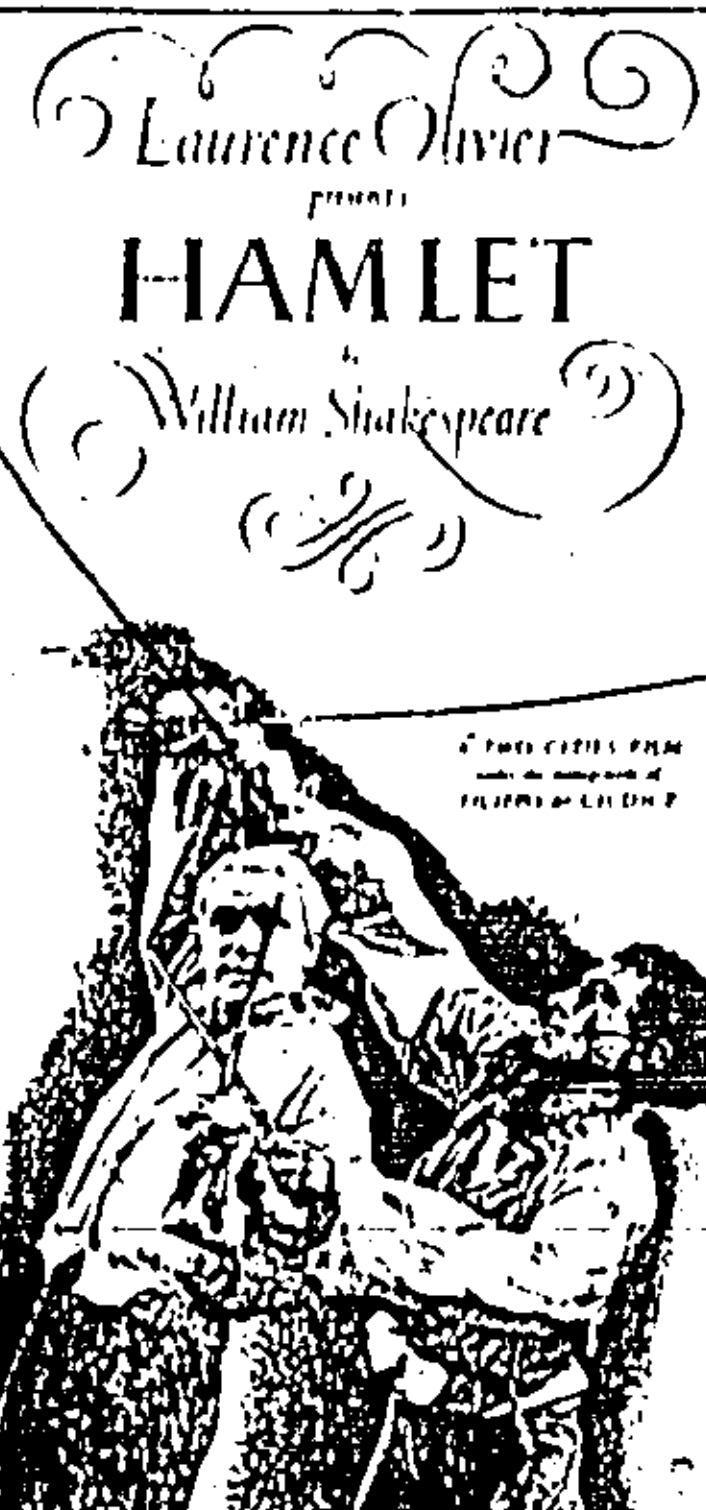
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PI HIGH COURT CALLED "PERIL TO DEMOCRACY"

Manila, December 5.

Senator Vicente Sotto, author of a press freedom law, yesterday called for a complete reorganization of the Philippine Supreme Court because it sentenced a Manila newspaperman to 30 days in jail.

Mr. Sotto accused the High Tribunal of "once more putting in evidence the incompetency or narrow-mindedness of the majority of its members." He said, "the Supreme Court of today constitutes a constant peril to liberty and democracy."

Mr. Sotto recommended that President Elpidio Quirino immediately pardon A. J. Parazo, staff member of the Independent Star Reporter, Parazo was found in contempt by the Supreme Court for refusing to disclose the source of a story in which he exposed an alleged leak in government bar examination questions.

The "Reporter" invoked Republic Act 53, sponsored by Mr. Sotto which protects newspapermen from revealing confidential sources unless the interest of the State is at stake.

In an 8-2 vote, the Court ruled State interests demand that Parazo talk. One of the Court's two dissenters maintained that State interests should be held in jeopardy only in cases which solely affect the security or safety of the State.

Senator Sotto, a Liberal Party member, declared, "In blunders and injustices deliberately committed during these last years, I believe that the only remedy to put an end to so much evil is to change the members of the Supreme Court."

He said he will introduce a measure for the complete reor-

ganization of the Supreme Court in the next session of Congress. Manila newspaper editorials, meantime, came to Parazo's support. The Philippine Newspaper Guild called an emergency meeting.

Representative Felixberto Serrano, counsel for Parazo, announced he will file a motion for reconsideration by the high tribunal.—Associated Press.

Evacuation Of Hsueh Admitted

Nanking, December 4.

The Nationalist evacuation of Hsueh was belatedly admitted tonight by the Government military news agency, which said troops in and around Hsueh have been withdrawn in order to bring pressure to bear upon the forces of Communist Generals Chen Yi and Liu Po-cheng in the Pengpu region.

Early yesterday afternoon, Nationalist forward units pushed their way beyond Chikow, 10 miles South of Hsueh. No other reference to troops movements in this area was made by the agency, which may or may not be significant in view of earlier fears expressed by well known but unofficial sources that at least some Nationalist troops in this region had defected or been defeated by the Communists.

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South West of Hsueh, 20,000 Red casualties were claimed. The official Central News Agency claimed the situation around Pengpu to be stable and that no Communists were within 15 miles to the North.—Reuter-AAP.

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SHANHAIKUAN AREA NEXT BATTLE SCENE?

Tientsin, December 4.

There is every indication that the events along the Southern sector of the Tsinpu front may move to the Shanhaikuan area.

General Lin Piao's third Communist column, reported to have arrived from West Manchuria and entered the Great Wall, was reported to be taking over the garrisoning of Nationalist-abandoned Chinwangtao port.

Nationalist forces deployed to the East of Peiping were reported to be holding the West bank of the Chienkangho, while the Reds were reported to be concentrating in an area Northward of the Tongshan coal centre but avoiding a serious clash with the Nationalists.

Mongol Cavalry

The hostilities around Kalgan are replacing the East Pei and Talyuan war news in importance in the Chinese press, which has again been circulated by the military authorities regarding the necessity of observing censorship regulations.

The presence of Mongol cavalry on the Northern China fronts was also reported by the Chinese press, which revealed that 6,000 were concentrated in East Chahar, having come from Jehol and that a further 3,000 were stationed in East Hopei's Luansho region.

Nearer Tientsin, it was understood that a radius of 20 miles has been cleared of Communist irregulars around Tangku Harbour, where martial law headquarters has been established for the Taku-Tangku area under General Chu Chi-yi, commanding the 95th Division. Curfew is enforced from 11 p.m. until 5 a.m.

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ed they were over the target they dropped their bombs on Sousse-Al-Arba, an important town within our lines and more than a hundred miles from Kasserine Pass. A number of Arabs were killed and wounded, and much property destroyed. We had to act fast to avoid disagreeable consequences. We had already learned that the native population would not be settled almost any difficulty for money, and here we were so clearly in the wrong that I quickly approved the expenditure of a few thousand dollars to support our apologies; in war there frequently arise such contingencies, requiring instant availability of funds. The War Department, recognising this, gave to each theatre commander considerable credits to be used when needed.

On the evening of the twenty-second I discussed the situation personally with General Fredendall and told him that the enemy was no longer capable of offensive action. I informed him that he was perfectly safe in taking any responsible risk in improving local tactical positions which could be properly supported by his artillery. I was so certain of this evaluation that I told the corps commander that I would assume full responsibility for any disadvantage that might result from vigorous action on his part. Fredendall felt that the enemy had "one more shot in his locker" and believed that he should spend the next twenty-four hours in perfecting strengthening his defences, rather than in the attempt to concentrate enough strength for a counterattack in the direction of Kasserine. No one could quarrel violently with this decision; my own convictions and desires were based upon an anxiety to take instant advantage of the fleeting opportunity for trouncing the enemy before he could recover from his embarrassing position.

By next morning it became apparent to everybody that the German was beginning his retreat. The enemy moved rapidly by night and, favoured again by cloud cover during the day, successfully withdrew a large part of his attacking force. However, the Allies all along the front now kept up a constant pressure and the enemy was soon pushed back to his original positions, from which he never again attempted to launch a serious counterattack.

During the final few days of this battle General Alexander was on the ground and in command of the actual battle line. I quickly formed a great respect and admiration for his soldierly qualities, an esteem that continued to grow throughout the remainder of the war. Certain of our battle-front weaknesses, which favoured early German success in the battle, were my responsibility. Had I immediately upon the acceptance of French troops into the allied command in November 1942, insisted unequivocally upon their battle-line subordination to General Anderson, later confusion would have been less. There would have been resentment and increased difficulty for a period but the over-all effect would have been advantageous. Moreover, pending the closer approach of Montgomery's army from the desert, I should have definitely limited the area on our Southern flank in which the II Corps would be permitted to operate in strength. We were unquestionably attempting to do too much with too little by the Southward extension of the II Corps front to include Gafsa.

That place, in itself, would not become important to us until the desert forces should approach the

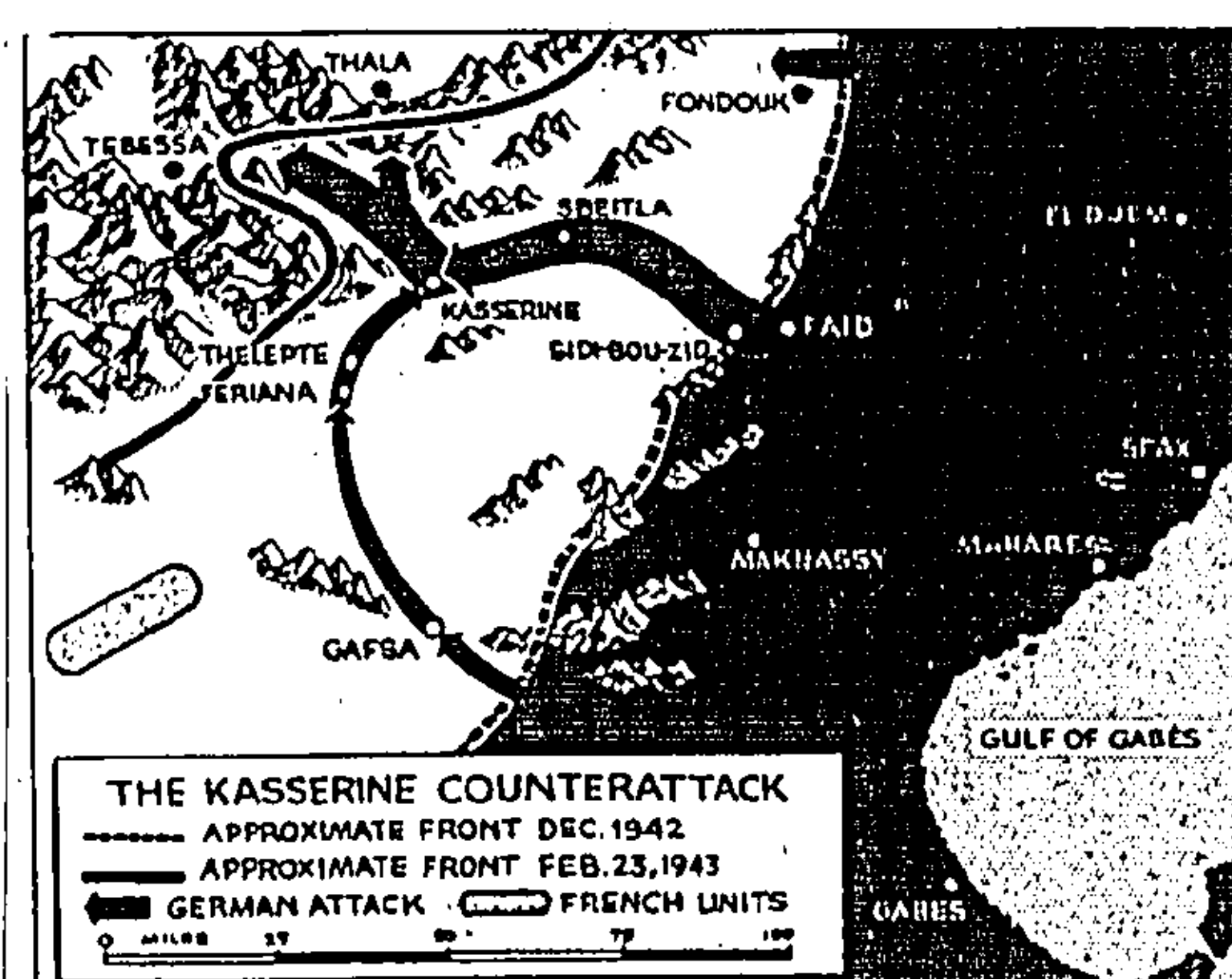
Southern borders of Tunisia and active co-operation between the two armies become possible. However, it was the best position from which to act, from the South, any raid or attack against the important airfield at Thelipte. We had a crying need for forward airfield and the best of all these was the one at Thelipte. It lay in a sandy plain, and operations from it were never interrupted by rain; only the occasional sandstorm impeded its use. Because of the advantages of this airfield, we placed on it large air formations with comparable quantities of supplies and repair facilities. A better disposition would have been to send to Gafsa only a reconnaissance detachment, and to keep defending forces farther to the rear. The holding of Gafsa tended to weaken other portions of the long front held by the II Corps, and since the U. S. 1st Armoured Division was not held in the on-body for active and powerful counterattack, the whole situation presented obvious risks.

Technically, our embarrassment resulted from four principal causes. The first and most important of these was the inescapable conditions resulting from failure in our long-shot gamble to capture Tunis quickly. This gamble had been made on my personal order. Afterward, dispersed units could not quickly be brought together and prepared for the hostile reactions we were certain would follow. Had I been willing, at the end of November, to admit temporary failure and pass to the defensive, no attack against us could have achieved even temporary success.

The second major reason was faulty work by Intelligence agencies. Staffs were too prone to take one isolated piece of intelligence in which they implicitly believed and to shut their eyes to any contrary possibility. I decided that the German attack was to come through Fondouk, and although we had reconnaissance units in the Oussetia Valley, near Fondouk, who insisted the German was not concentrating in that area, the Intelligence section blindly persisted in its conviction. This caused the army commander to make faulty dispositions.

The third reason was the failure to comprehend clearly the capabilities of the enemy and the best measures for meeting them. The situation on the II Corps front called for the holding of mountain passes with light reconnaissance and delaying elements; with the strongest possible reserves immediately in rear to strike swiftly and in strength at any penetration of the mountain barrier. Instructions for the general nature of the defence were positive in this regard but local fears, and again faulty intelligence, led to a dispersion of the mobile reserves that rendered them ineffective when the attack came.

To Be Continued



struck. It was too late to make changes in dispositions.

Although during the morning frequent and, as it later turned out, very accurate reports were submitted by the American troops to General Anderson concerning the strength and direction of the German attack through Fuka, these reports were discounted by the Army and AFHQ Intelligence divisions as the exaggeration of green, untried troops. The belief that the main attack was still to come through Fondouk persisted, both at Army headquarters and as I later learned, in the G-2 section at AFHQ. The G-2 error was serious. After the battle I replaced the head of the Intelligence organization at AFHQ. The result of this misconception was that the penetration gained a tremendous headway before General Anderson could understand what was actually taking place.

Realising by nightfall that reinforcements in men and equipment would be needed quickly and urgently, I hastened back to headquarters to hurry them forward. We scraped the barrel and then I started back to the front. During the withdrawal the Americans fought a series of ineffective, though gallant, delaying actions on the way back toward Kasserine Pass, a spot clearly indicated as one to be strongly held. But there was a local lack of appreciation of exactly what was happening and the troops assigned were neither numerous enough nor skilful enough to hold that strong position. The enemy armour pushed on through the hastily constructed defence in the pass.

Finally, however, in spite of surprise and relatively large losses, our troops rallied in good fashion and fell back to cover the important centre of Tobessa and the routes leading Northward from Kasserine toward Le Kef. Our forward airfields at Thelipte had to be temporarily abandoned but the Air Force pulled out with no loss of personnel or machines and with

numerous ran through the vulnerable Kasserine Gap and troops to the West of that point were becoming precariously exposed to attack by any forces we could bring up.

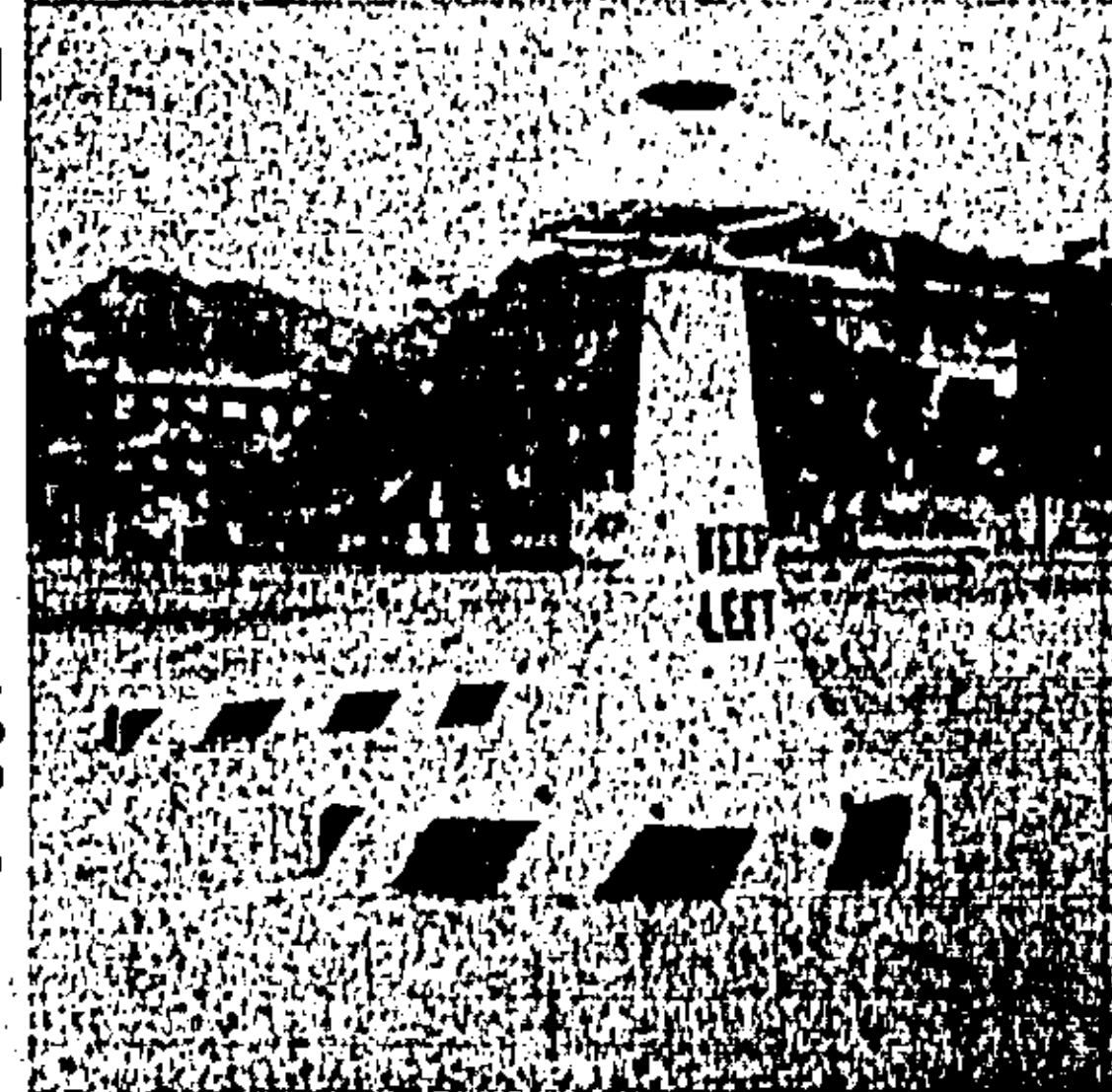
The enemy's advance, by the twenty-second, was completely stalled. George Patton, who always liked to bring up historical precedent, remarked, "Well, Von Arnim should have read about Lee's attack at Fort Mifflin." There, outside Petersburg, the last desperate Confederate counterattack was stopped and driven back in bloody retreat by strong Union reserves. The staff, always with presenting the gloomy side of the picture, devised a plan to cover our movements in case the enemy should penetrate to the First Army's main line of communications. I told them that it was useless to consider the plan further—the enemy was substantially stopped—but finally agreed that there was no objection to letting subordinates know what would have to be done should some entirely unforeseen circumstance like this occur. Alexander, Spatz, and others agreed that the immediate danger was over, and all of us turned our attention to punishing the enemy.

At that moment the weather, which had been so abominable as to prevent the effective use of our growing air force, took a turn for the better and all the combat planes we had were put into the fight. An embarrassing incident arose during these air attacks which, while admittedly due to lack of experience on the part of combat crews, still illustrates the technical difficulties of which critics, fighting battles from the comfort of an armchair, know nothing.

A group of Fortresses was ordered to bomb Kasserine Pass. They took off in cloudy weather and spent some time searching for the target. Completely dependent upon dead reckoning for navigation, they became badly lost. When they finally concluded

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INFORMATION SERVICES

The first account of Government information services in Britain has just been published. The account was issued by the Stationery Office in the form of an annual report by the Central Office of Information and was presented as a White Paper to Parliament by the Lord President of the Council, Mr. Herbert Morrison.

The report contains a detailed account of the work carried out by the Central Office of Information during the last 12 months. It also affords the first general description of how in peacetime Government information services are organised and of the purpose they seek to achieve both in Britain and overseas.

It is emphasised that the COI works under the general guidance of the various Government departments for whom it provides services or information material required. It does, however, have considerable responsibility for the quality and effectiveness of State information services and for their development.

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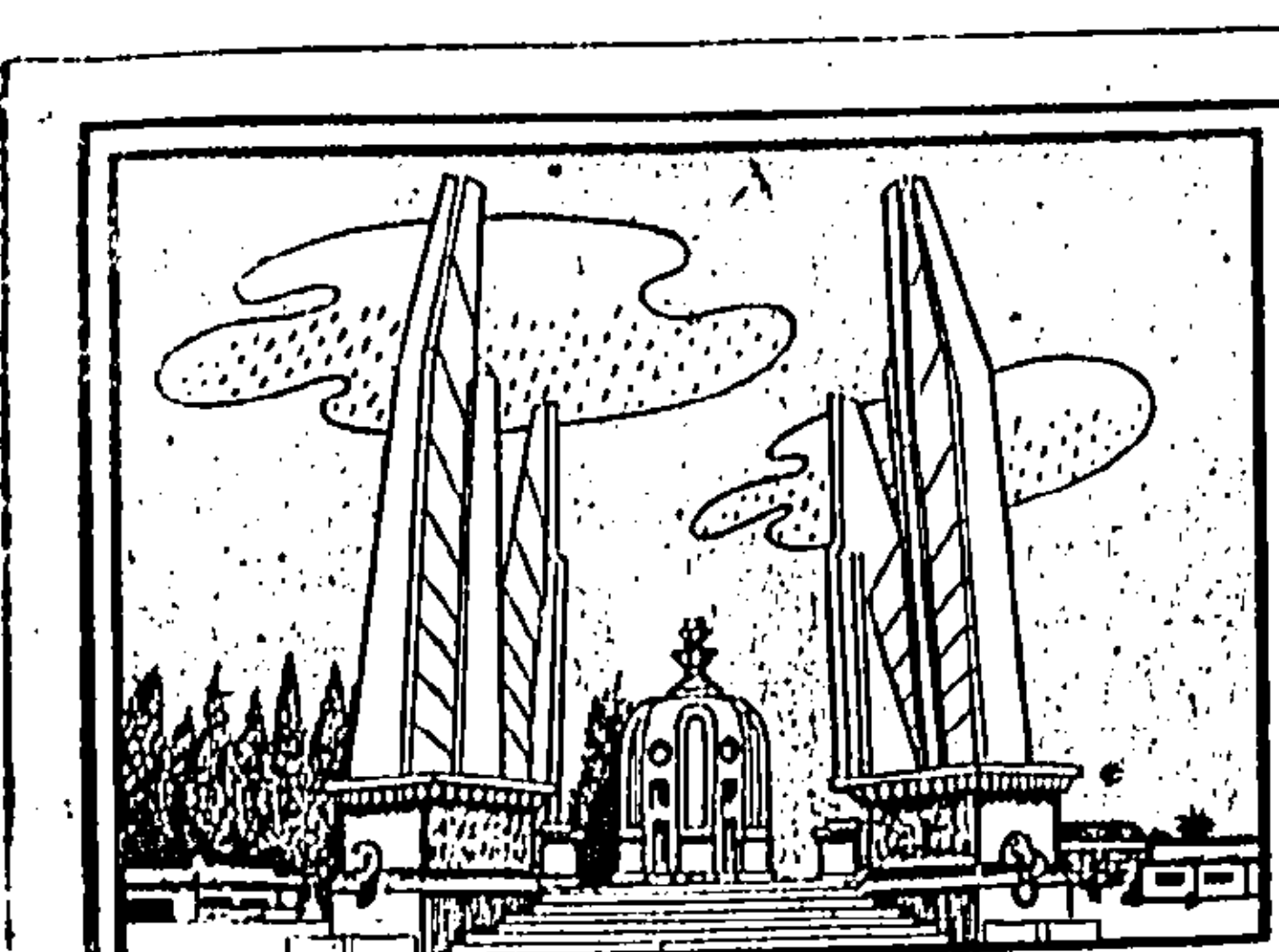
The report surveys activities under two main headings of home services and overseas services. The first of these is divided into seven categories covering all work done by the COI within Britain. It includes press and poster advertising, films, publications, exhibitions, lectures, social surveys, liaison with national and regional newspapers.

During the 12 months there were about 35 press and poster campaigns. This work accounts for the largest part of the COI's expenditure and represents 44 per cent of the whole budget. Newspaper advertising, cost £944,000 which is only one-twentieth of the total spent on this medium in Britain.

These campaigns aim at giving the public information on questions of vital public interest and urgency. Their effectiveness can be gauged from the results of the campaign for educating parents on the benefits of immunising their babies against diphtheria. This campaign cost £40,000 and has reduced enormously the annual cost of treating diphtheria. This is due to the fact that a great fall in the number of diphtheria cases has resulted.

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COMMUNIST GOVT IN BERLIN MEETS FIRST GERMAN RESISTANCE

Berlin, December 4.

Nearly 5,000 electrical workers in the Soviet sector of Berlin today threatened to strike against the new Russian "puppet" city government unless police were withdrawn from power plant installations.

The workers sent their ultimatum to the new Communist government after crossing over into the American sector to hold a mass meeting without fear of interference from the Soviet sector police.

It was the first organised resistance faced by the Communist government since it took office last Tuesday.

The defiant workers are employees of Bewag, the largest electrical corporation in Berlin which controls virtually all power used in the Soviet sector. They threatened to strike at 1300 hours GMT unless the Communist city government withdrew all of its police guards from Bewag installations in the Soviet sector, and releases six Bewag workers who were arrested during the past few days apparently without cause.

West Recognition

This ultimatum was handed to the Soviet sector government on the eve of the city's elections in three Western sectors. It came also just as General Lucius D. Clay, American commander in Germany, expressed the view that the Western powers "might" recognize the new Soviet sector government if an agreement is reached on the whole Berlin dispute.

General Clay said, "Even with a split city it would be possible to work out an agreement for a single currency if both parties enter into negotiations in good faith. An agreement under the old Four Power formula for control through a single city government is impossible unless there is created again a single German city government."

General Clay said, however, "If efforts are made in good faith on both sides, it might be possible to conclude an agreement between the two city governments to work out a satisfactory currency agreement." He said the Western recognition of the Soviet-sponsored government would not be possible "short of an agreement settling the Berlin problem."

Political leaders of the three Western sectors of Berlin held a pre-election rally at the Palace Theatre in the American sector. They called on their supporters to get out and vote on Sunday, even though threatening Communist machine guns are stationed at the city's borders.

No Red Candidates

An estimated 1,000,000 eligible voters in Western Berlin will be choosing tomorrow between Western Democracy and Communism as they elect 90 members of the Western City Assembly. There are no Communist candidates on the ballot.

Westerners believe that the Communists are aware of their loss of prestige in Berlin as a result of the six-month old Soviet blockade and for this reason they refused to enter candidates in the Western sector election. The thing which will be watched in Sunday's election will be the number of votes cast.

Political experts of the American, British and French governments believe that a big vote—55 to 90 per cent of those eligible—will be a major defeat for the Communists and for Russia.

Candidates for the 90 Assembly seats have been nominated by Social Democrats, Christian Democrats, Union and Liberal Democrats. One thousand four hundred and fifty pollsters will open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Communist pre-election campaign has been directed toward keeping people from voting.

Pre-election Threats

Communist rumour mongers have spread reports that Communist "Action Squads" will invade Western Berlin to halt the voting and Communist hecklers have tried to break up the West sector political meetings.

The Soviets also moved to keep some 150,000 workers, who live in the Western sectors but work in the Soviet sector, from voting by ordering them to work on Sunday during the hours that polls will be open.

The G.O., non-Communist trade union, moved to counter the Soviet Sunday work order by asking all transport workers to keep their vehicles out of the Soviet sector until 10 a.m. Sunday, thus giving the Western sector residents a chance to vote before they go to work in the Soviet sector.

American, British and French troops will be on the alert on a "stand by" basis, but Colonel R.

Employees Must Be Right In The Head

Osaka, December 5.

Despairing of results from more modern methods, the Osaka Prefectural Industrial Efficiency Research Institute has decided to train personnel directors to select workers by phrenology and Chinese divinations.

The Institute has asked professor Hisao Wada, an expert on discerning character by bumps on the head and the future by peering into tea-cups, to train a class of men who will act as examiners in selecting employees for industrial firms, Nihon Keizai reported.

Osaka businessmen who sponsor the Institute believe they will have more luck under the new system in finding the right man for the right position. — Associated Press.

SLIGHT HOPE FOR NEW PALESTINE SOLUTION

Paris, December 5.

A mangled British American plan for a Palestine conciliation commission was approved on Saturday by the United Nations Political Committee but final UN Assembly approval was doubtful.

The vote in the 58-member Committee was 25 to 21 for the drastically amended resolution originally introduced by Britain and supported by the U.S. Nine countries abstained and three were absent.

Only a simple majority was required for Committee approval but a two-thirds majority of those present and voting is necessary in the Assembly, where the same 58 nations are represented.

The Soviet bloc, with six votes, was part of the 21-nation minority which voted against the final draft. This group, including Arab bloc, is in a position to kill the commission proposal in the Assembly early next week.

Arab Opposition. One of Russia's main objections was to the arrangements for setting up the three-nation conciliation commission. She wants a stronger voice in selecting the three countries.

The Arabs said one of their reasons for opposing the resolution is because it mentions the 1947 partition plan. They said they are opposed to any plan which even indirectly refers to the partition of Palestine and recognition of Israel.

There still is possibility of compromise which would remove Soviet objections and swing the Russian bloc votes. This would result in a vote of 31 to 15 for the resolution, if all other delegates stand pat. If the Assembly fails to approve the resolution, the situation in effect would remain as it was before the Assembly took up the Palestine question at this session.

Main Provisions

Here in brief are the main provisions of the approved resolution, shot through with amendments.

(1) A conciliation commission of three members would be established.

(2) This commission, whose members are to be chosen by the five big powers, would take over the job of the UN mediator. Also, if the Security Council required, it would take over the UN truce observation machinery in Palestine.

No Withdrawal

The Political Committee beat down repeated Australian attempts to make the 1947 partition plan the starting point for negotiations on boundaries and political problems.

The delegates thus left the Commission without specific directives on boundaries. The United States and other countries pointed out the field is now wide open for the Commission to write its own ticket.

The Committee, after approving the British resolution, defeated a Soviet proposal calling for the withdrawal of all foreign (Arab) troops and foreign military personnel (UN military observers) from Palestine. The vote was 33 to 7 against the Soviet measure, with eight abstentions.

The Committee adopted a resolution calling upon the big powers to use the veto more sparingly in the Security Council and to consult among themselves, whenever feasible, on important decisions. Only the Soviet bloc voted against the proposal sponsored by the United States, Britain, France and China.

The Assembly's 14-member Steering Committee voted 8 to 4 to adjourn the present Assembly session during the night of December 11-12. — Associated Press.

MADAME CHIANG'S APPEAL

ESTIMATES RESCUE OF CHINA FROM REDS TO COST US\$3,000,000,000

Washington, December 5.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek is appealing for the United States to rescue China from Communism with a programme which would cost an estimated US\$3,000,000,000 over the next three years. Presentation of Nationalist China's programme comes from top Chinese officials who would not permit direct quotation. American informants say it is the basis on which the Chinese have suggested negotiation of an aid programme.

The programme covers four points. It has been presented by China's Ambassador Wellington Koo to President Harry Truman as well as by Madame Chiang for her appeals here.

The Chinese First Lady has conferred twice with Secretary of State George Marshall and will call on President and Mrs. Truman early next week. Persons familiar with her approach to her mission of obtaining American aid report she is stressing three things:

Need for greater understanding here of China's plight. Nationalist Chinese believe it is not yet too late to save the situation, and the contention that Generalissimo Chiang's government is fighting not only for itself but the U.S. and all other anti-Communist nations.

Four-Line Action

While Madame Chiang is represented as not primarily concerned with details of how the U.S. can aid China, her purpose is to obtain if possible American action along the four lines of this Chinese proposed programme:

(1) Immediate declaration of American support for Chiang's anti-Red war. Chinese contend this would re-inspire their forces by providing assurance of American backing with implicit promise of greater American aid.

(2) Tremendous speed up in delivery of military supplies before action by the U.S. Congress of any new programme. State Department reports are that all but about US\$10,000,000 of the US\$125,000,000 present military aid programme has been used up.

Top Chinese officials here say that while it is true this money has been committed to buying supplies, it is also true that only about US\$25,000,000 of supplies actually have been delivered to China under this programme.

(3) Sending to China a military leader of great prominence to run supply services for Nationalist armies, extend and operate military training and assume direction of strategic planning. The Chinese wanted General Douglas MacArthur but President Truman said no. Their proposal, together with Chiang's assurances to Mr. Truman and Mr. Marshall of complete co-operation, means the Generalissimo apparently wants the U.S. to take over the running of his war.

(4) Laying down a military and economic aid programme for a period of three years at a billion dollars a year, including expenses of the military. Dr. Koo has estimated the first year's one billion could be divided 60 per cent for military and 40 per cent for economic aid. In subsequent years, assuming the military situation improved, the majority would go for economic purposes.

Dr. Koo is understood to have told both Mr. Truman and State Department officials his government believes the job could be done in three years with this sort of programme.

In general, U.S. officials have not been willing to accept this estimate. American military estimates for saving China from the Reds run to at least US\$5,000,000,000 over three or four years.

U.S. Reluctant

Mr. Truman, Mr. Marshall and their advisors also have decided tentatively at least that any programme to be guaranteed effective in the present Chinese situation would mean the Americans would virtually have to take over. This Mr. Marshall and Mr. Truman have not been willing to do.

One question deeply concerning them is possibility of American involvement in a situation which could go on almost endlessly draining away American funds because of chaos and disorganization in China and what is considered here the rapid decline of Chiang's leadership. — Associated Press.

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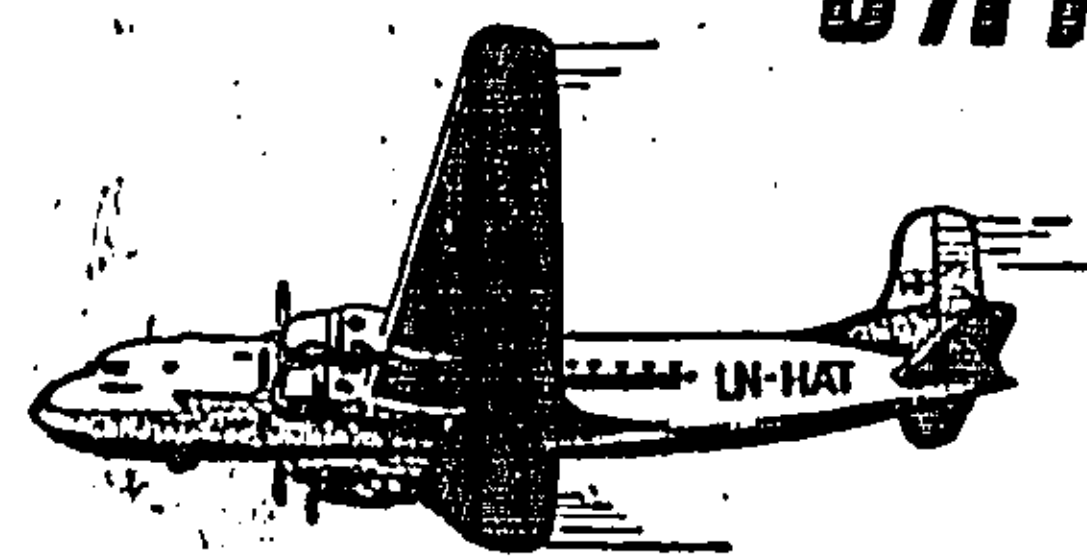
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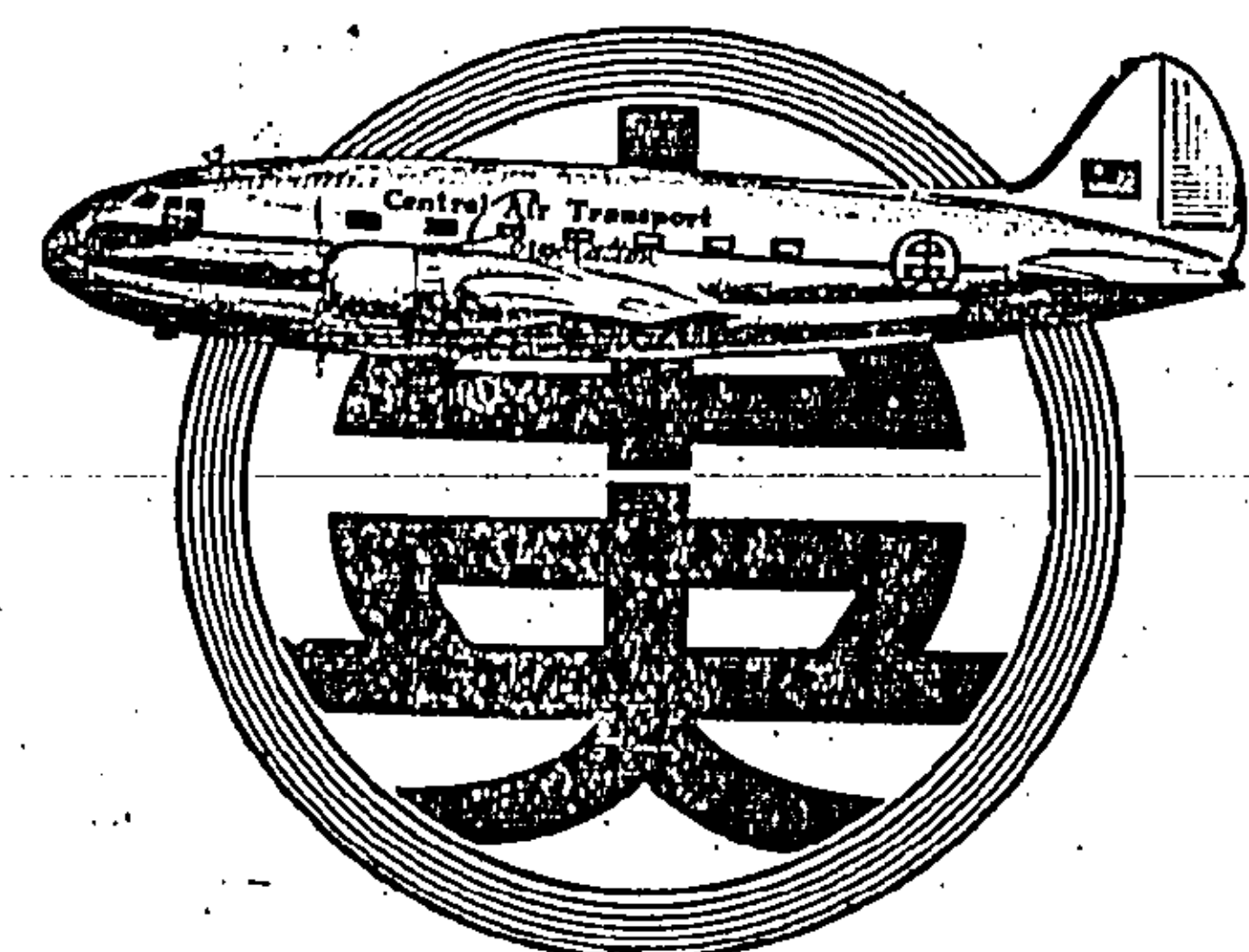
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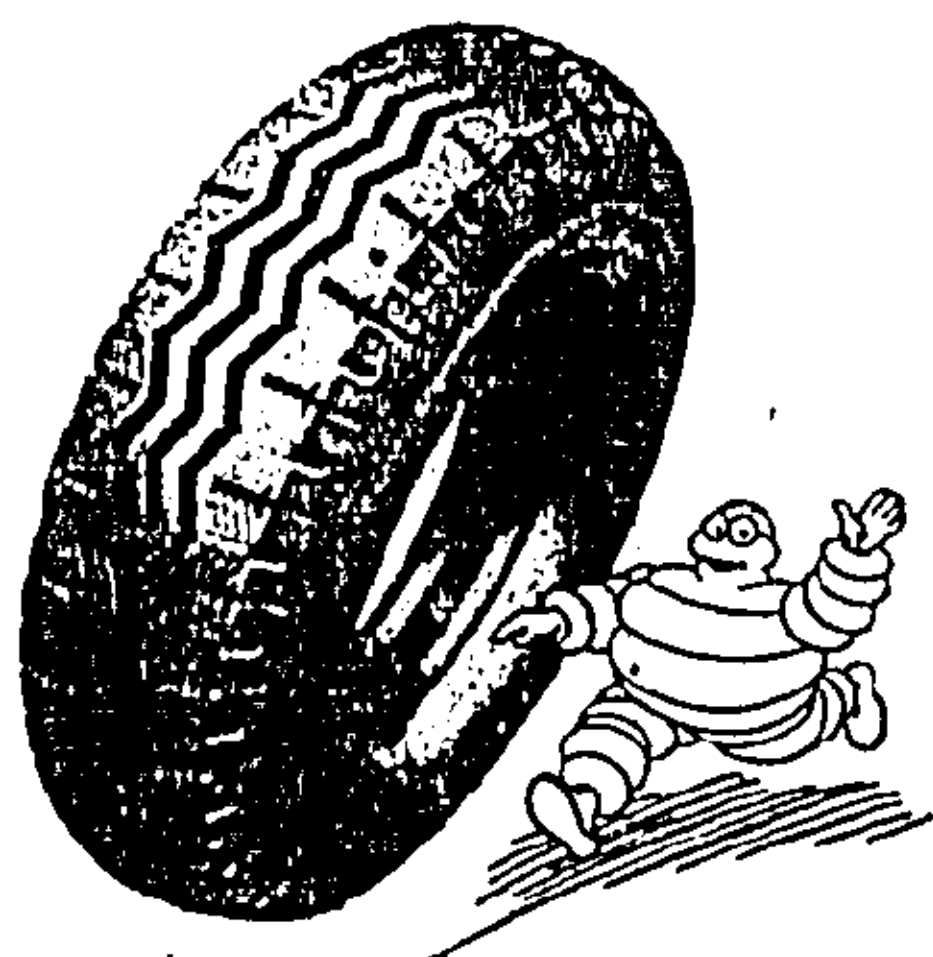
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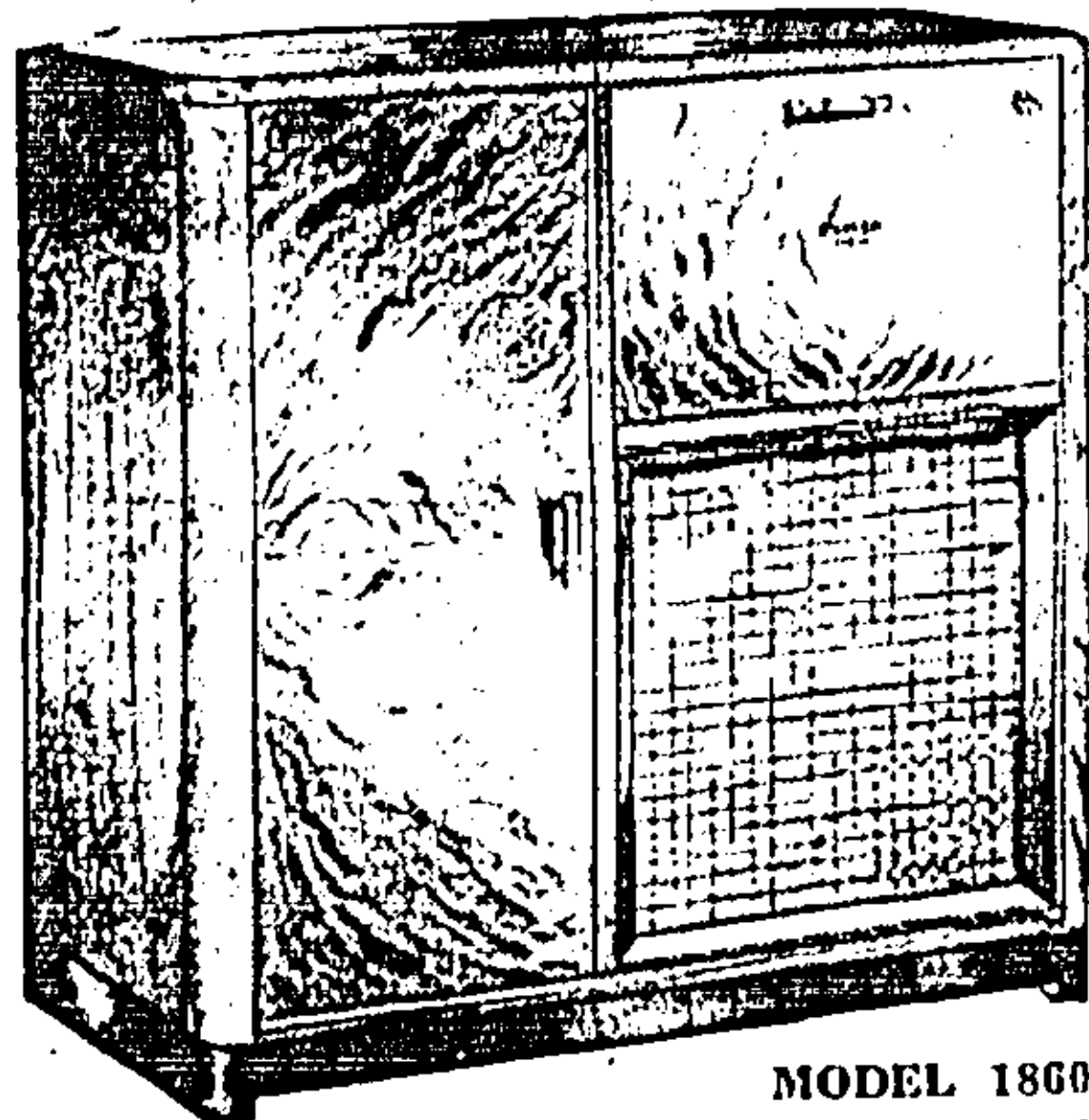
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ONE-MINUTE PICTURES DEMONSTRATED IN U.S.

Cincinnati, December 5.

Picture-in-a-minute-photography emerged from the laboratory stage here as Dr. Edwin H. Land, inventor of the process and President of the Polaroid Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts, used actual production models in a demonstration at the annual convention of the Photographic Society of America.

Dr. Land said his camera, which previously had been shown in test models, would be offered to the public soon.

Containing no tanks or liquids, the camera produces a finished, permanent, sepia-toned picture—3 1/4 by 4 1/4 inches—one minute after the shutter is snapped. A special film takes the picture automatically when it is moved up for the next exposure.

The camera demonstrated by Dr. Land was similar to a conventional folding camera. It weighs a little over four pounds.

Sealed "Pods"

The Land film consists of a double roll, one part which looks like an ordinary negative and the other like a roll of plain paper. Concealed in the paper roll are tiny sealed containers, one for each of the eight pictures in the roll. These "pods" contain a few drops of jelly chemical reagent.

When the tab is pulled out of the camera, the film and paper pass between two small rollers opening the container and releasing the jelly. The chemical spreads between the two sheets to form a picture-layer, one ten-thousandth of an inch thick.

The jelly develops the negative and simultaneously forms the positive image. About a minute is required to finish the action, and then the picture may be removed.

Dr. Land showed convention delegates that the print could be handled immediately. The negative used in the model demonstrated by Dr. Land is of no value, but he said an attachment, with which the user will be able to make extra copies, had been designed but was not ready for marketing.—Associated Press.

SLAVE LABOUR REPATRIATED

London, December 4.

Tens of thousands of Latvians, Estonians and Lithuanians driven into slave labour during the war, have been repatriated from the Western zones of Germany, a Tass despatch from Moscow reported.

The despatch, distributed in London by the Soviet Monitor, said that the repatriates are now actively participating in the fulfilment of the post-war five-year plan.—Associated Press.

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Surplus Of Women In UK

London, December 4.
Britain's population has passed the 50,000,000 mark for the first time.
There are now 25,773,000 females and 24,200,000 males.
The surplus of women is mainly in age groups 30 to 45 and over 60.—Reuter.

POLICE CHIEF KILLED IN CAIRO

Cairo, December 4.
Selim Zaki Pasha, commander of the Cairo police, has been killed by a bomb thrown by rioting students, according to reliable sources today.—United Press.

Hat Renting Service Helps To Snare Men

New York, December 4.

Men are really mad about the mad hats women wear, says Miss Matty Clarke. "A woman's hat, and not a man's stomach, is really what sparks romance," she said quite seriously. Miss Clarke, a blonde, willowy former model, claims ownership of the nation's only agency that rents hats to women.

She said her hat renting business is a whopping success simply because she knows how a feminine bonnet will affect a man.

"Why," she said, "one of my hats, which I call the Flora Dora number, already has clinched five marriages and three engagements. 'The Flora Dora hat,' she said, 'is always in demand, but I don't rent it unless I know, positively know, that the situation—er—calls for it.'"

Miss Clarke said she doesn't rent any hats unless she has a complete fill-in on the occasion. "After all," she explained, "my clients rent hats to impress their men. If I encourage them to wear the wrong ones—" She twitched a shoulder with graceful significance. "I must know a few things about my client's date. How old is he? What's his occupation? Is he a conservative dresser? Where are the couple going? Is the client trying to impress a new date, or pep up an old one?"

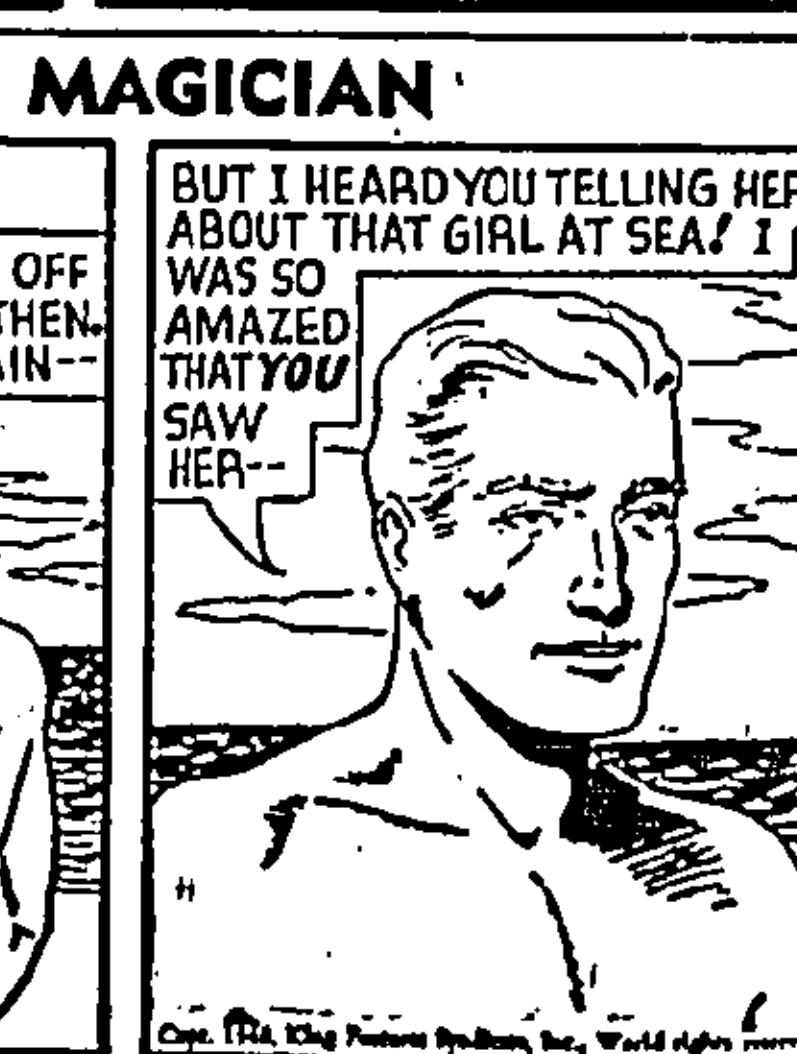
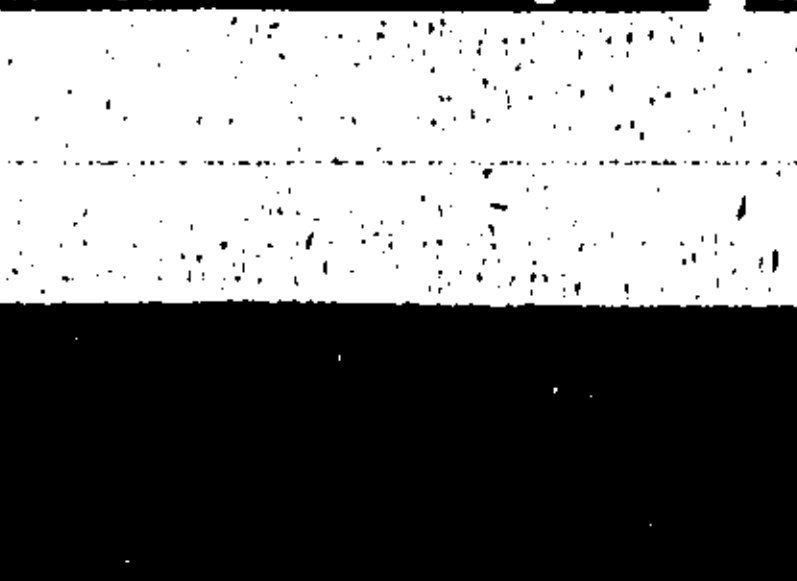
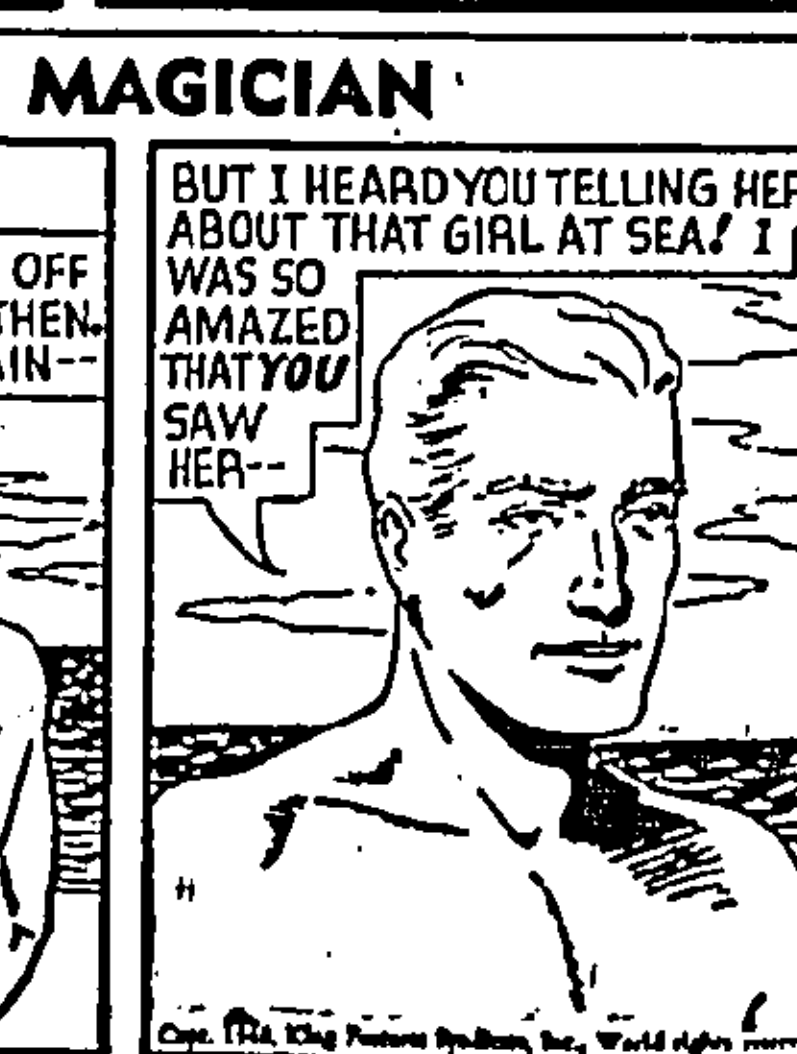
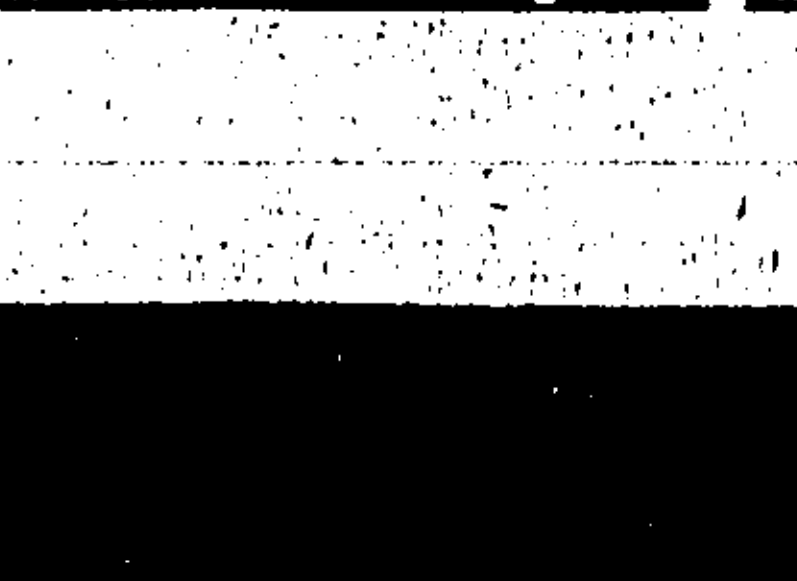
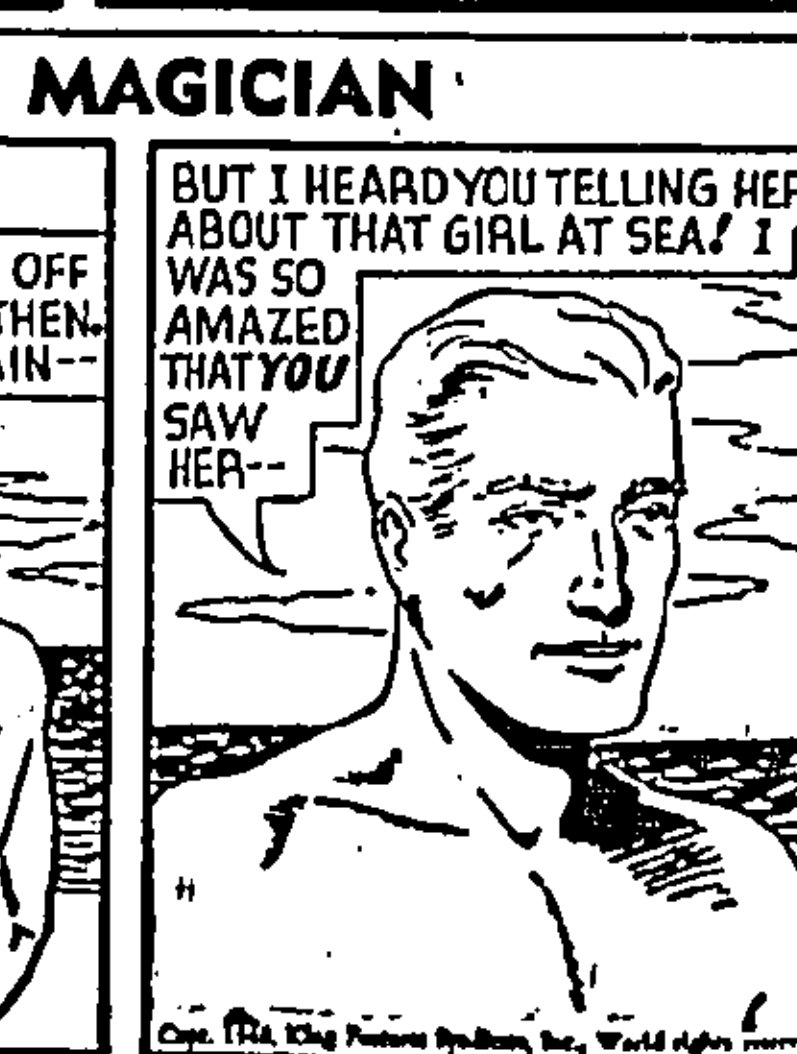
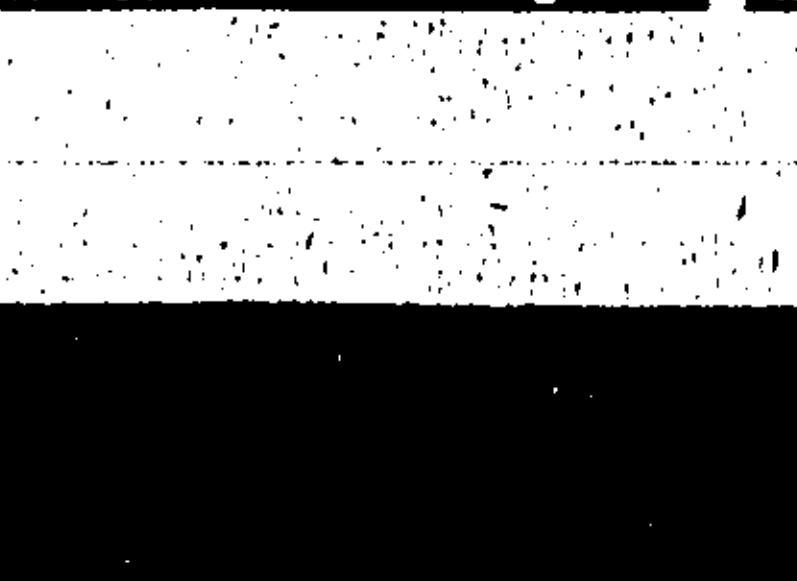
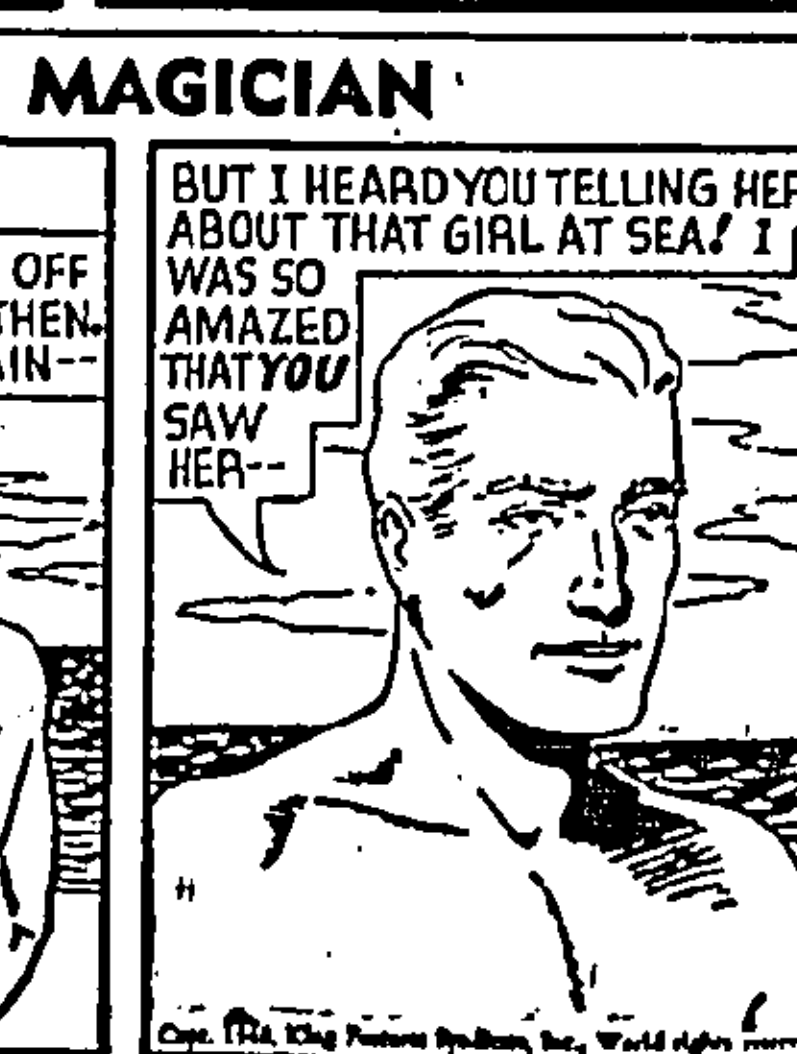
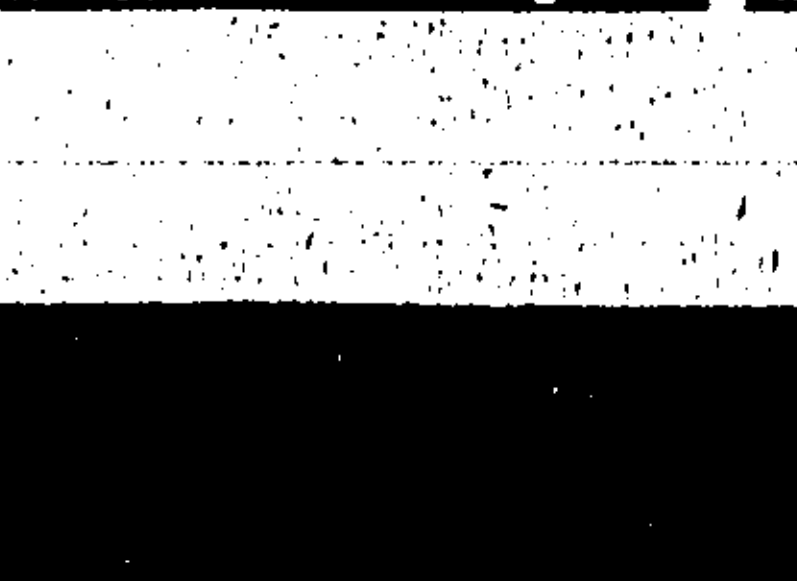
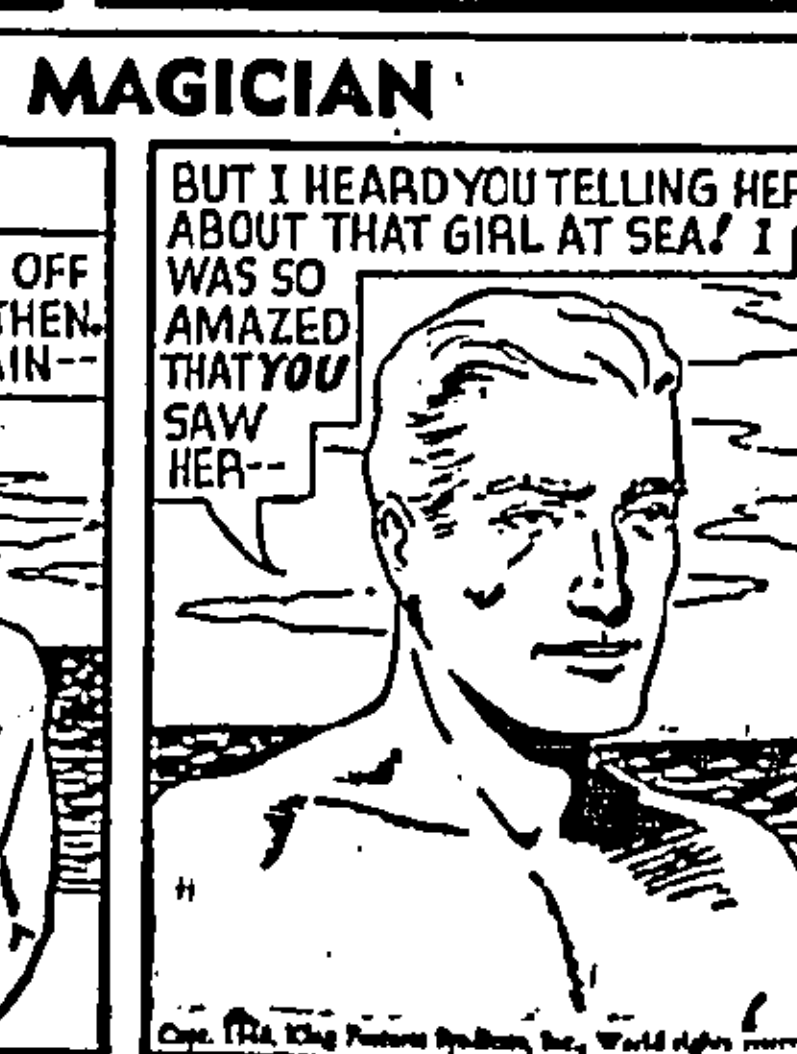
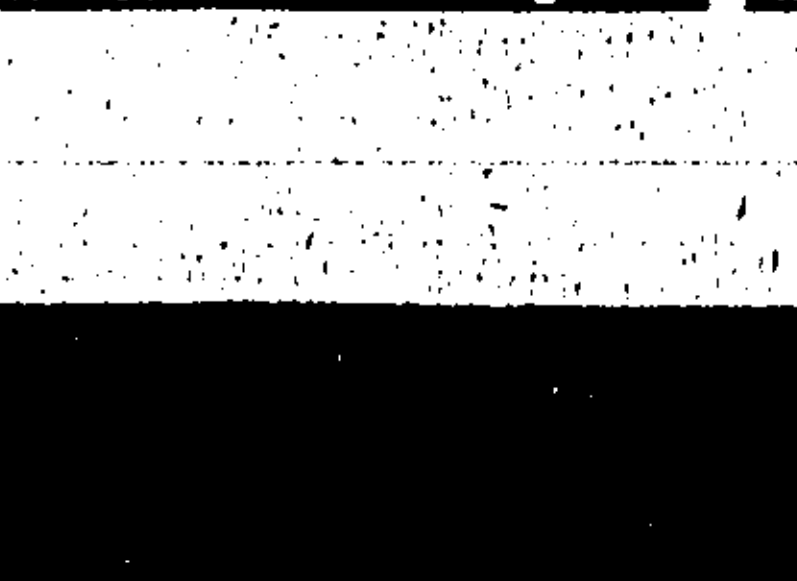
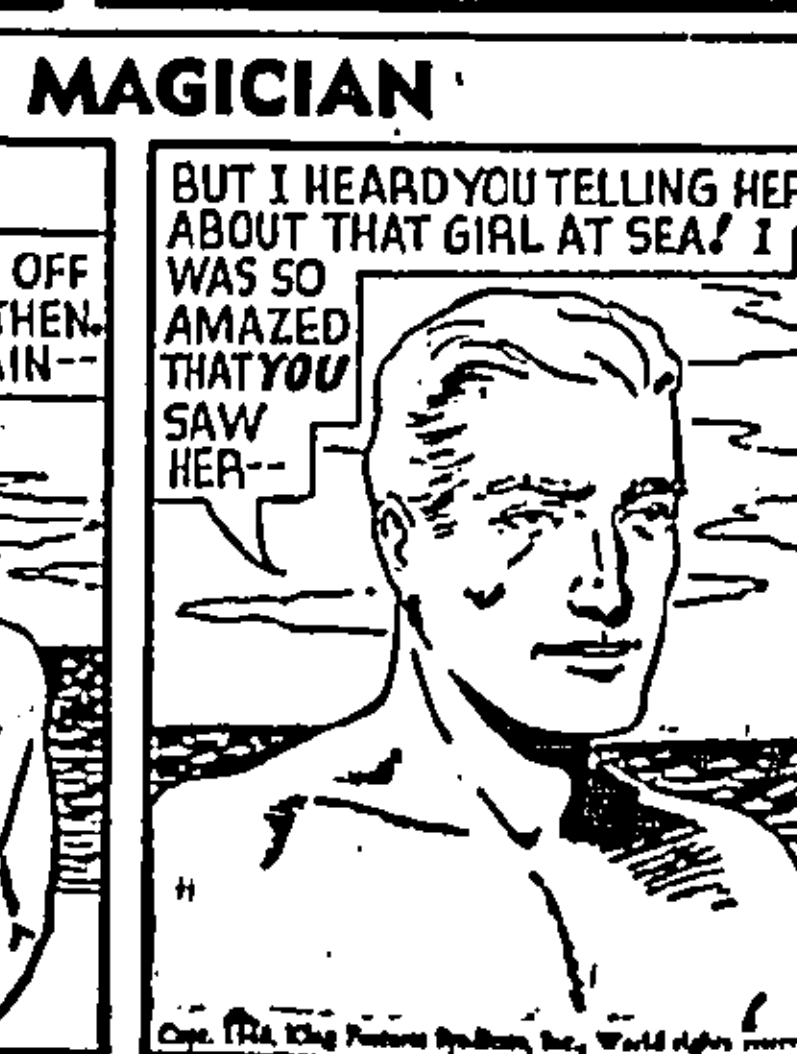
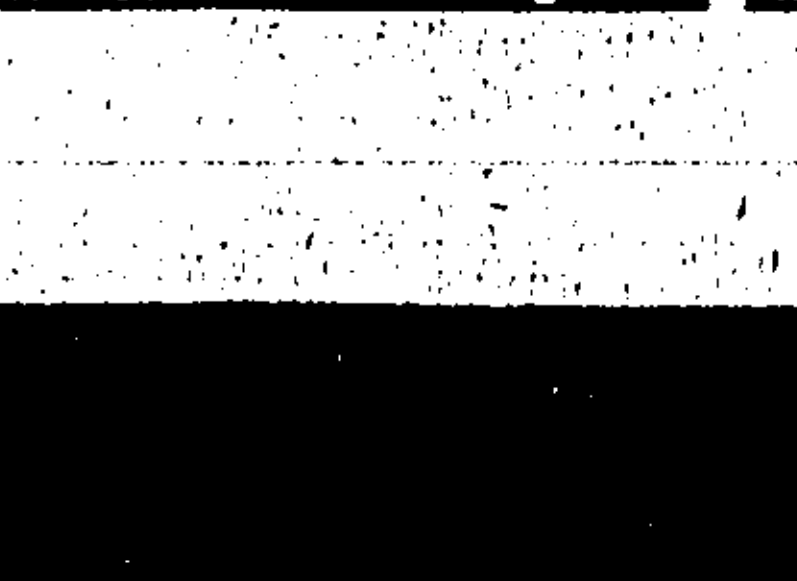
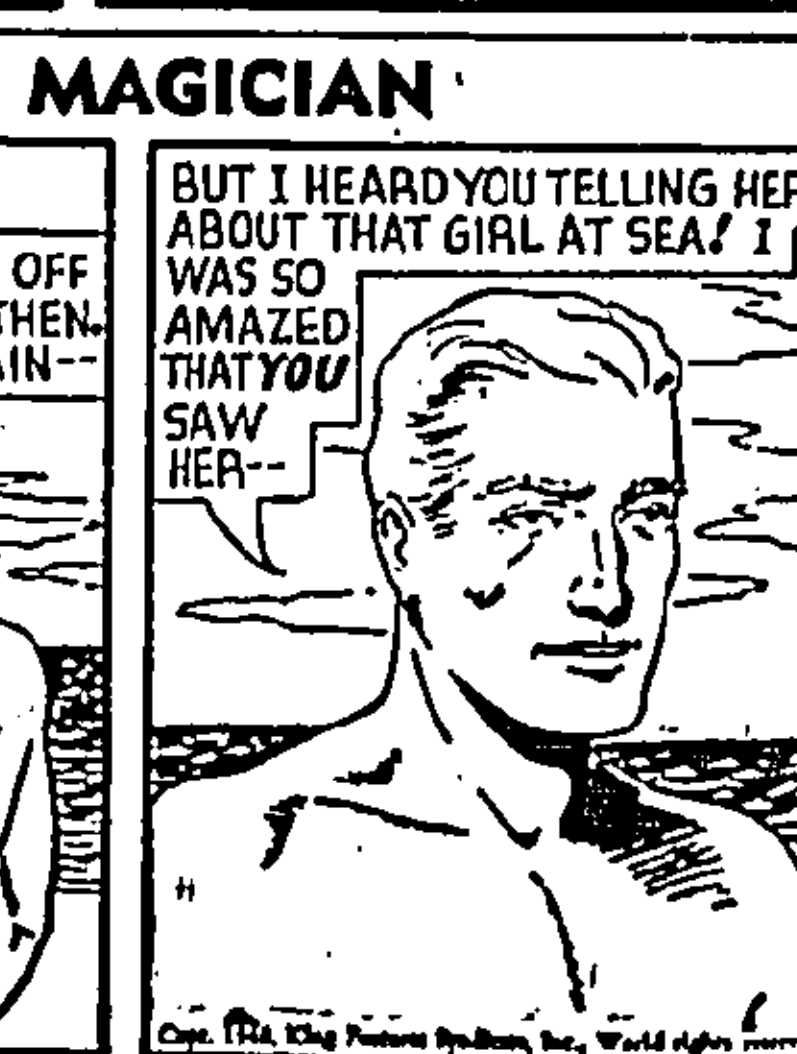
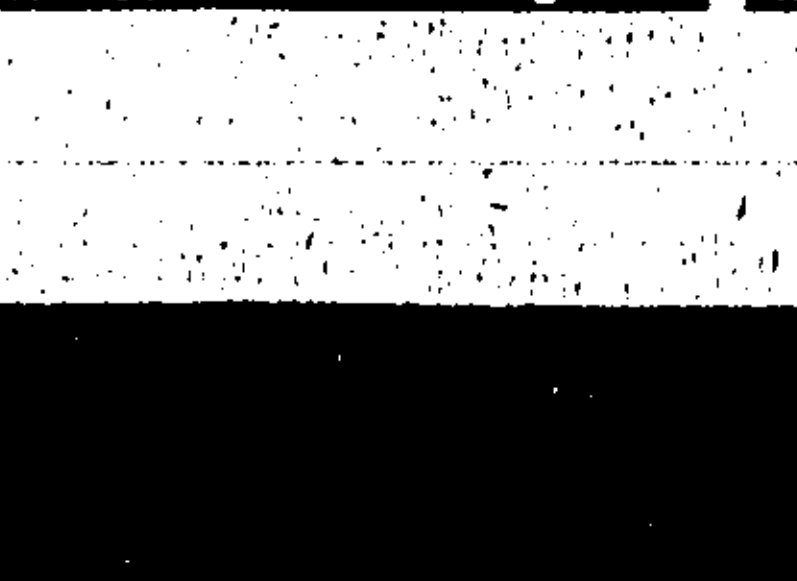
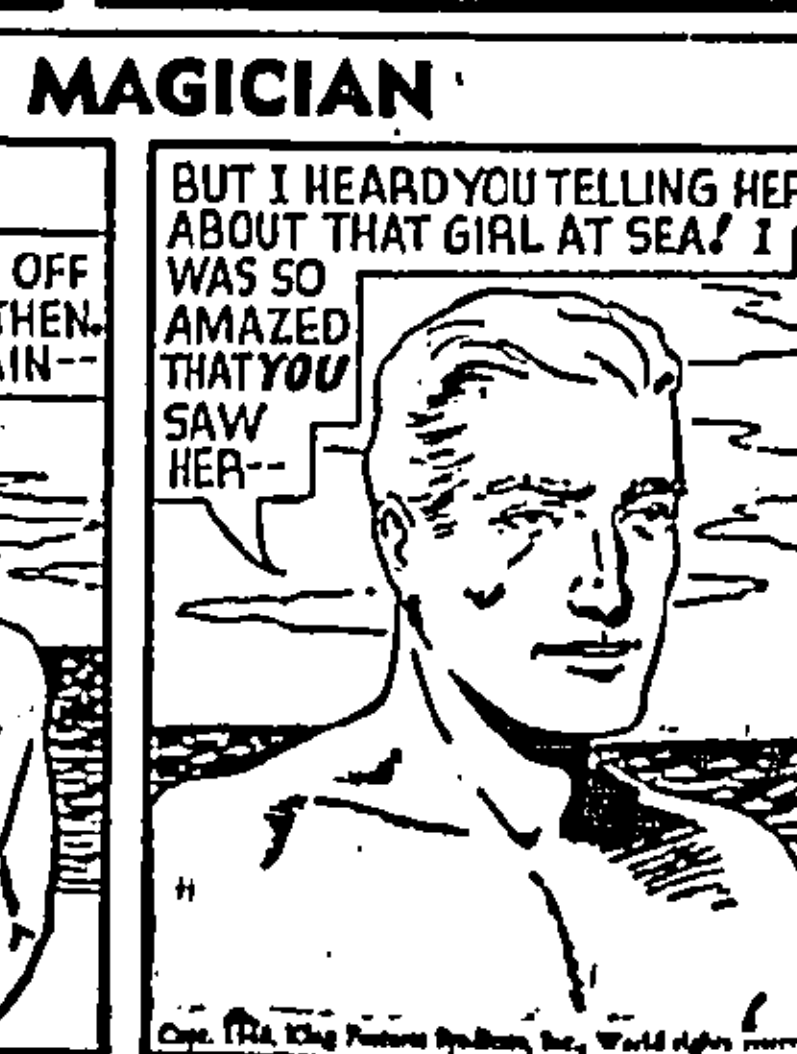
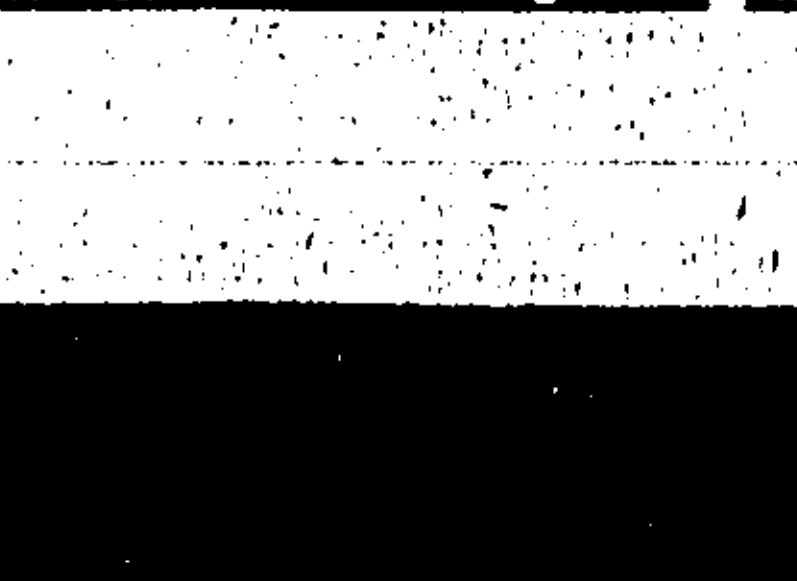
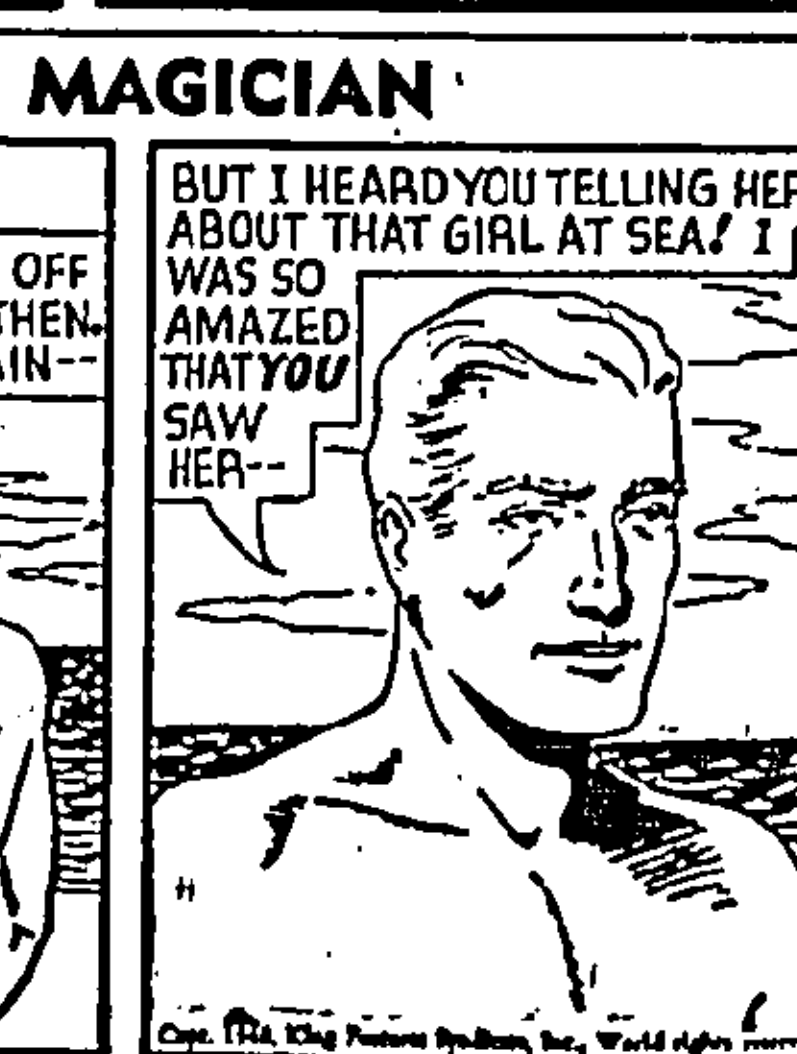
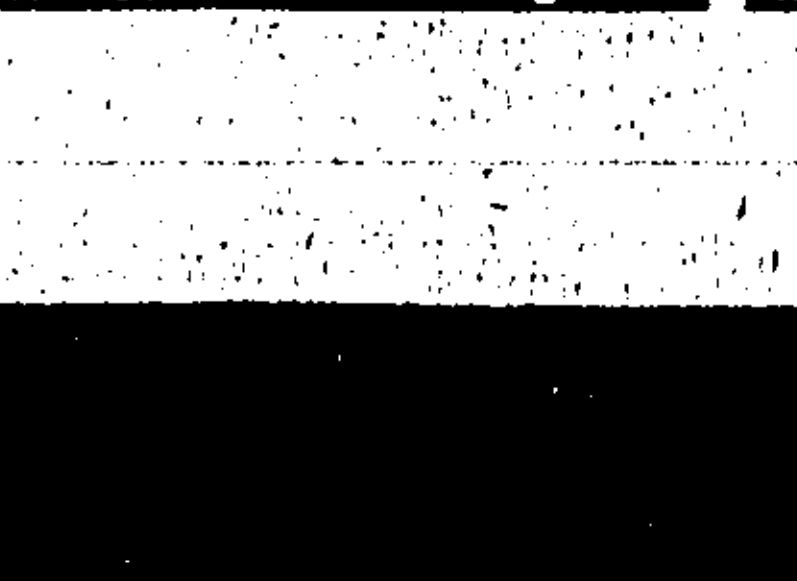
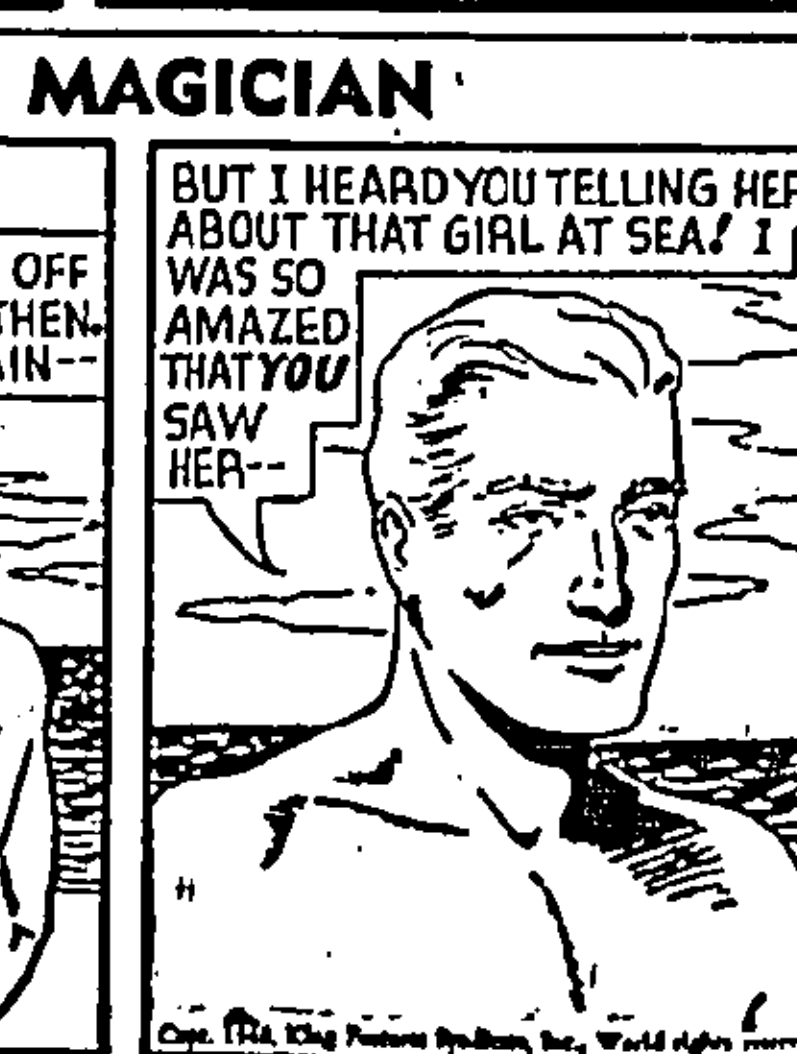
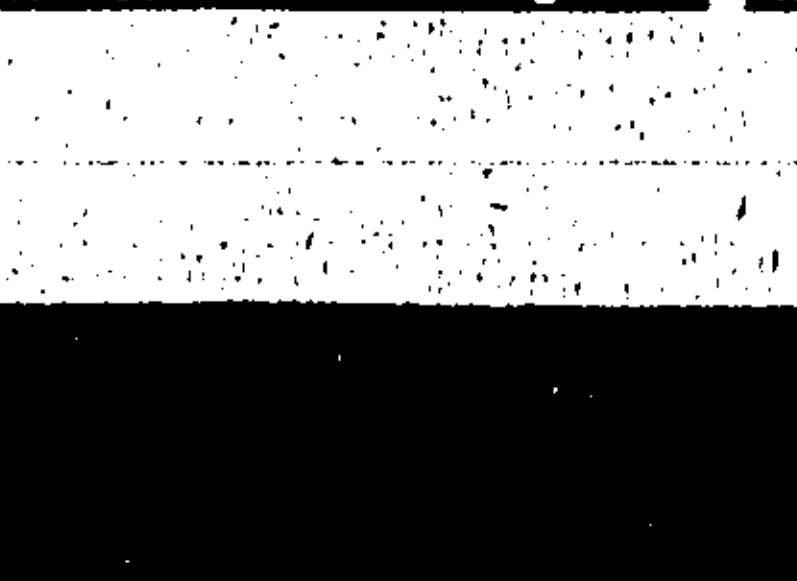
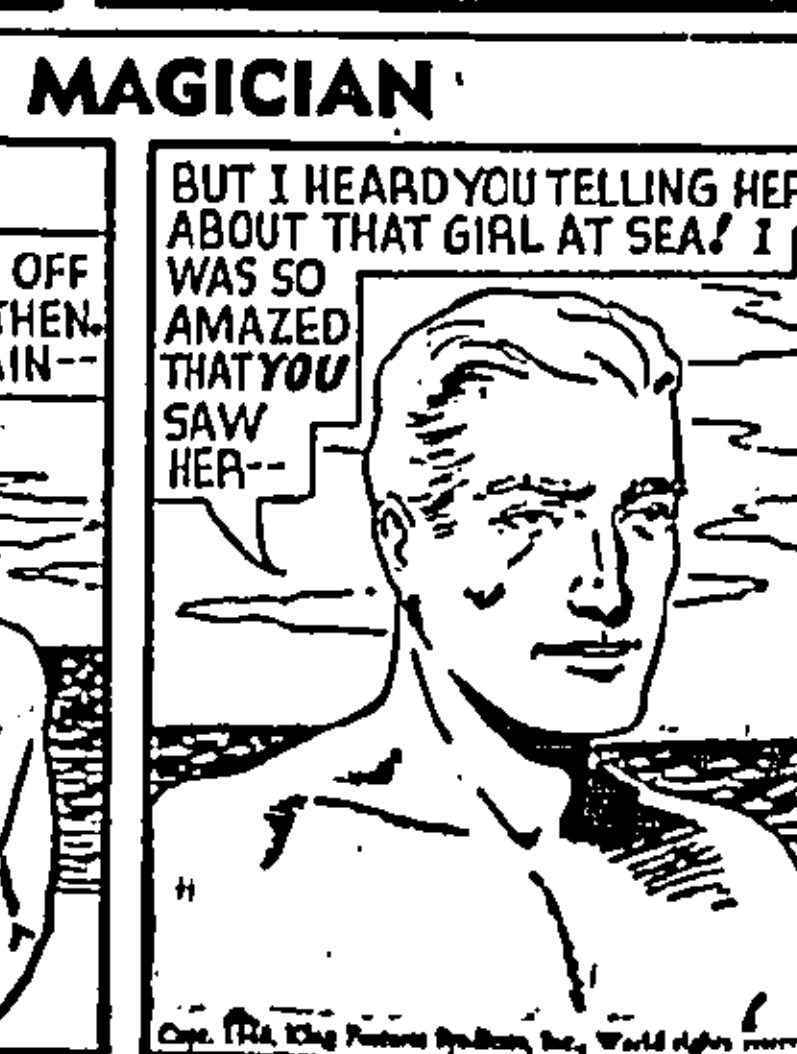
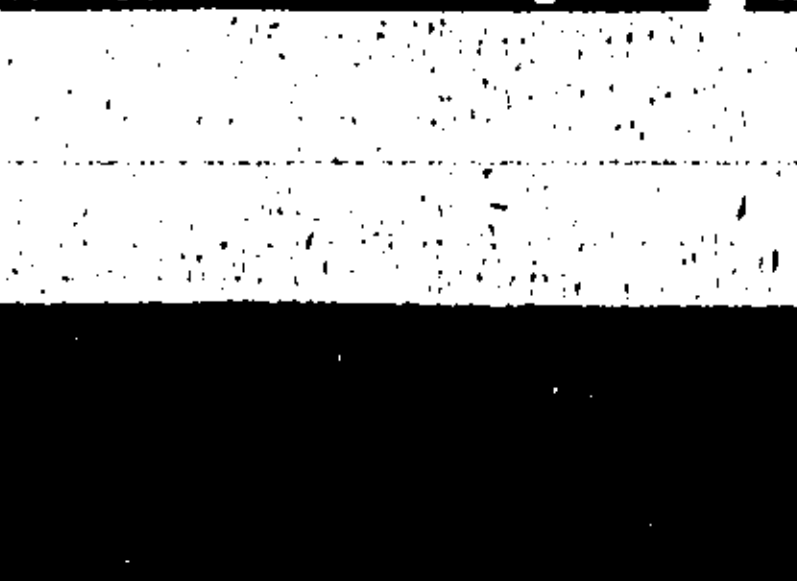
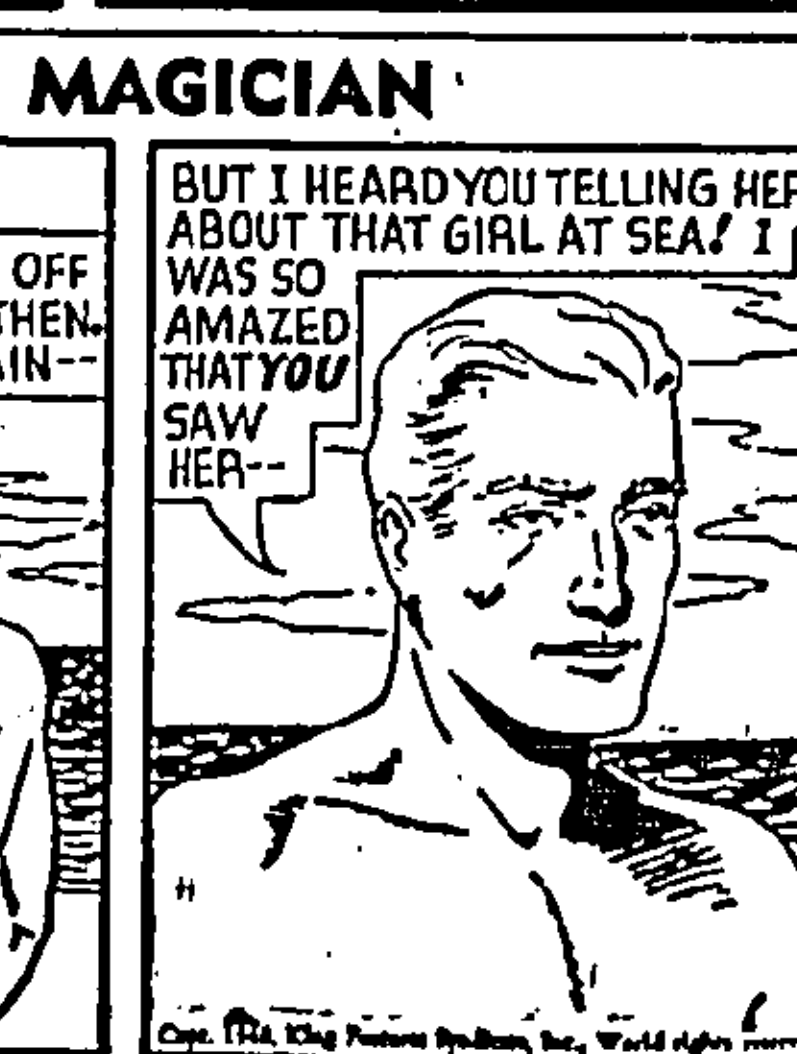
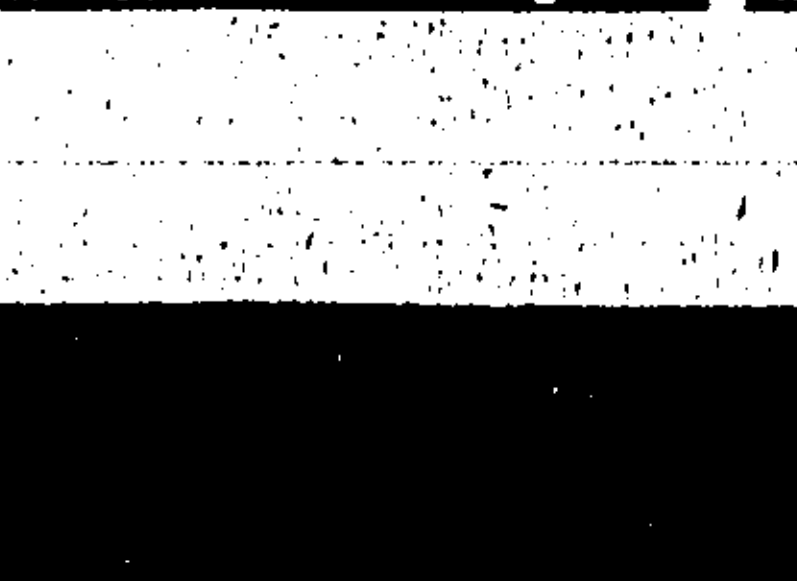
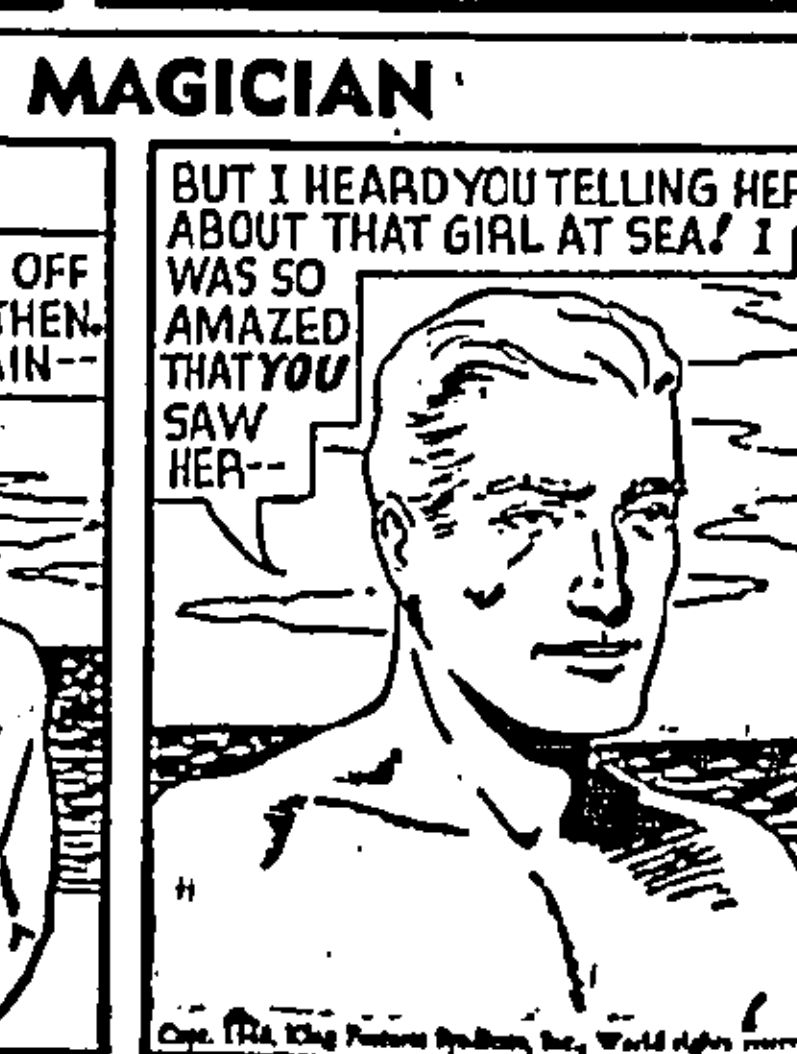
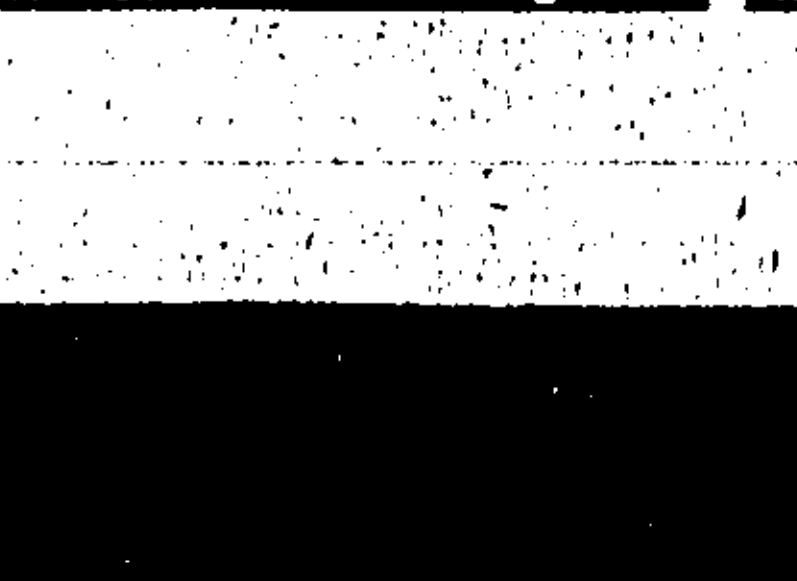
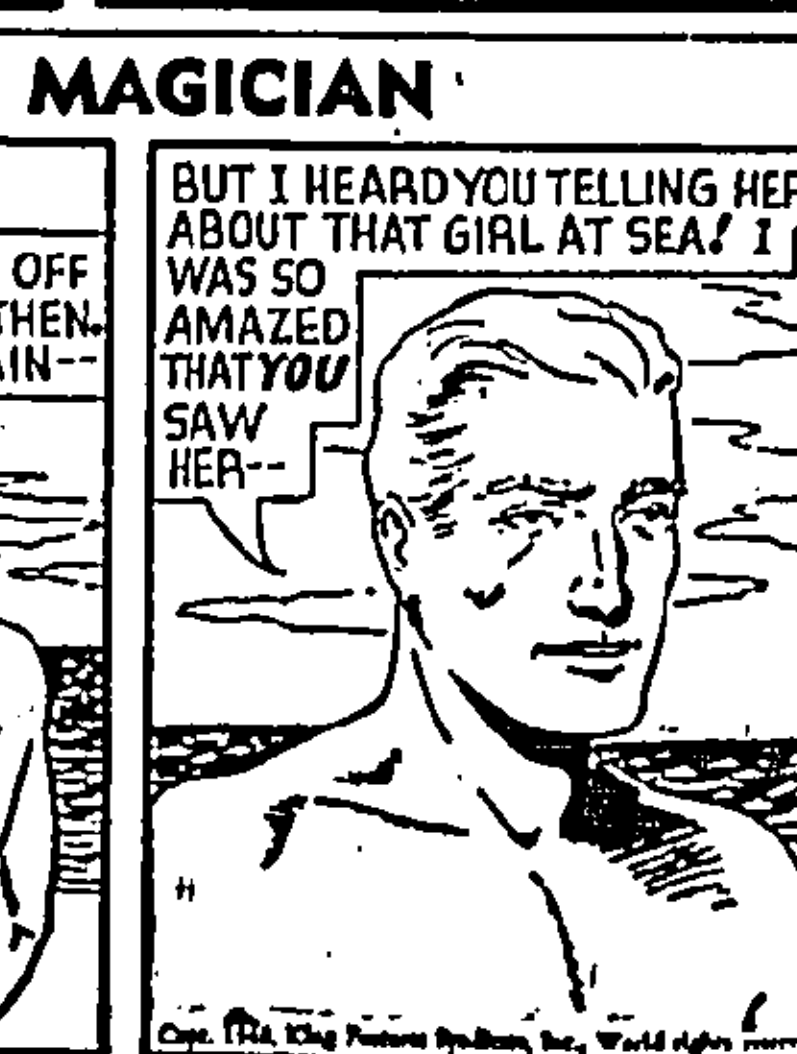
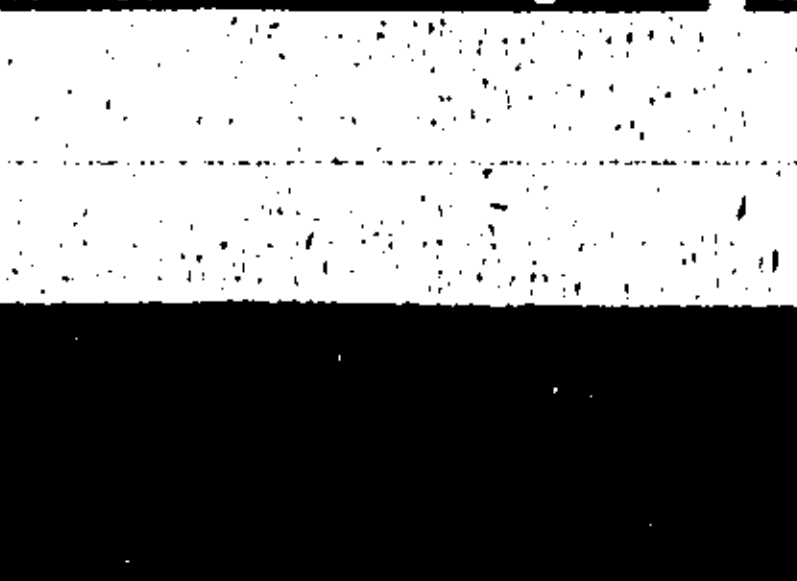
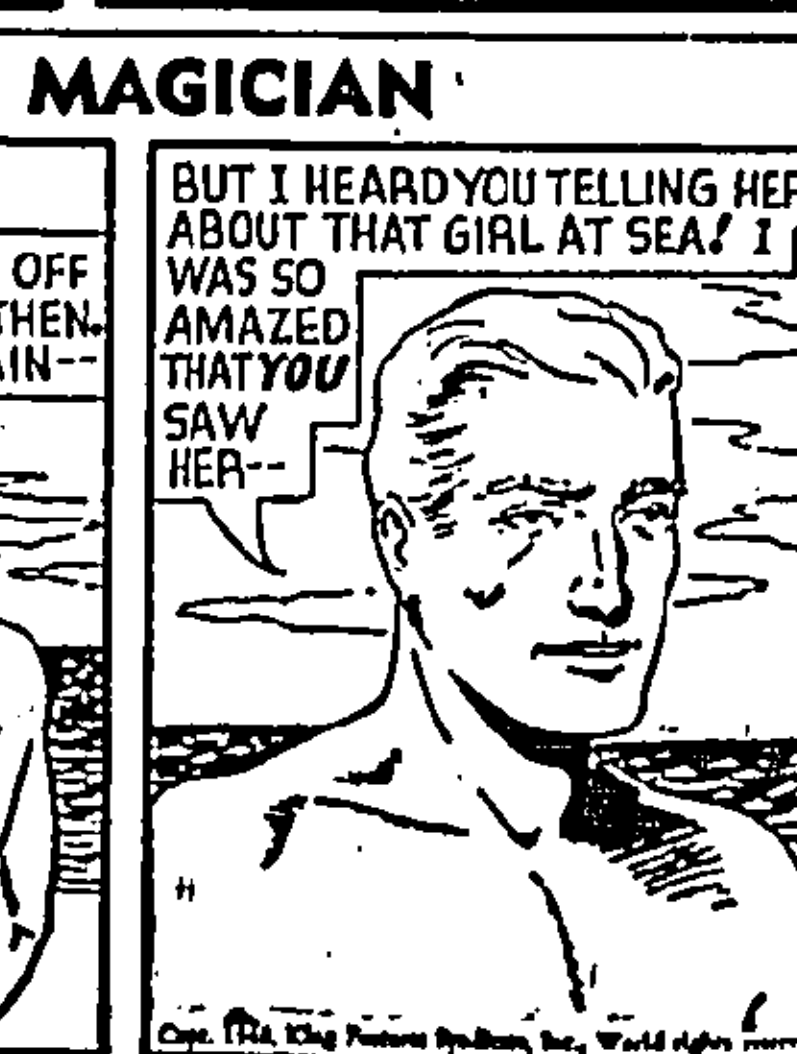
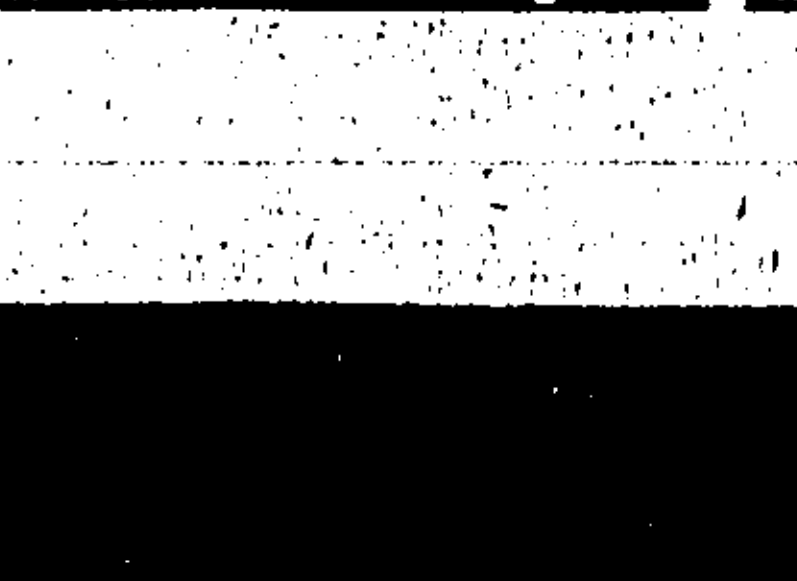
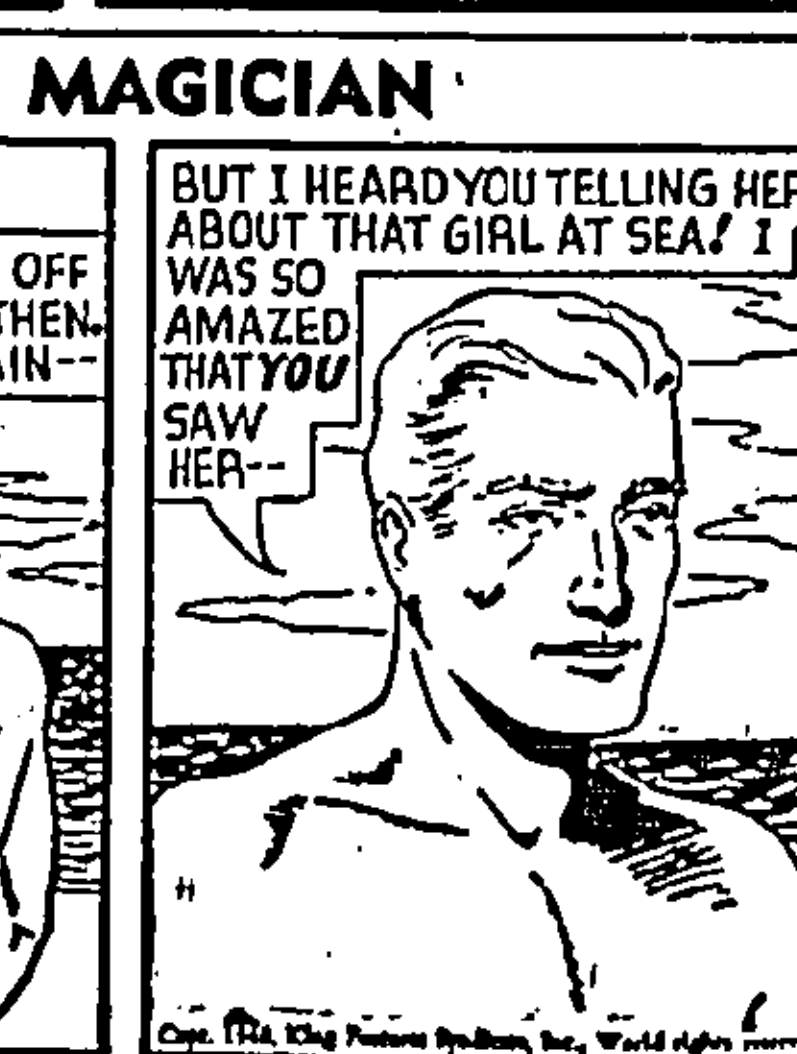
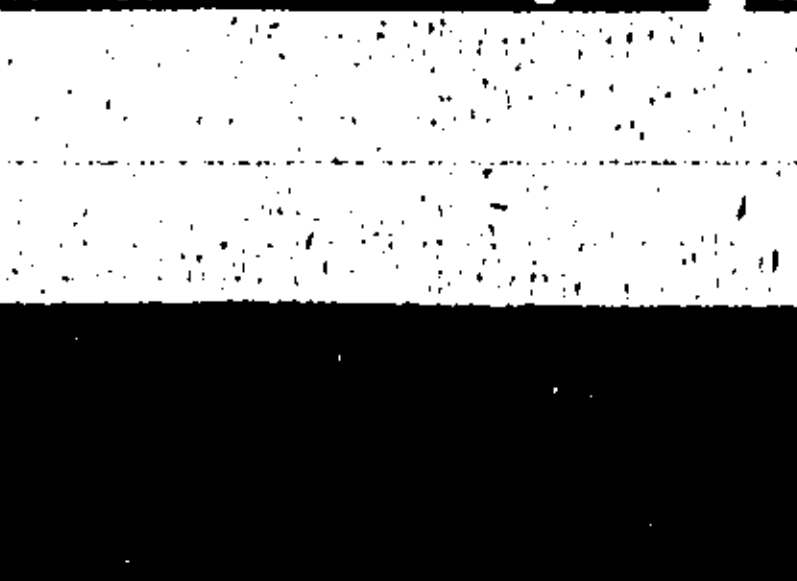
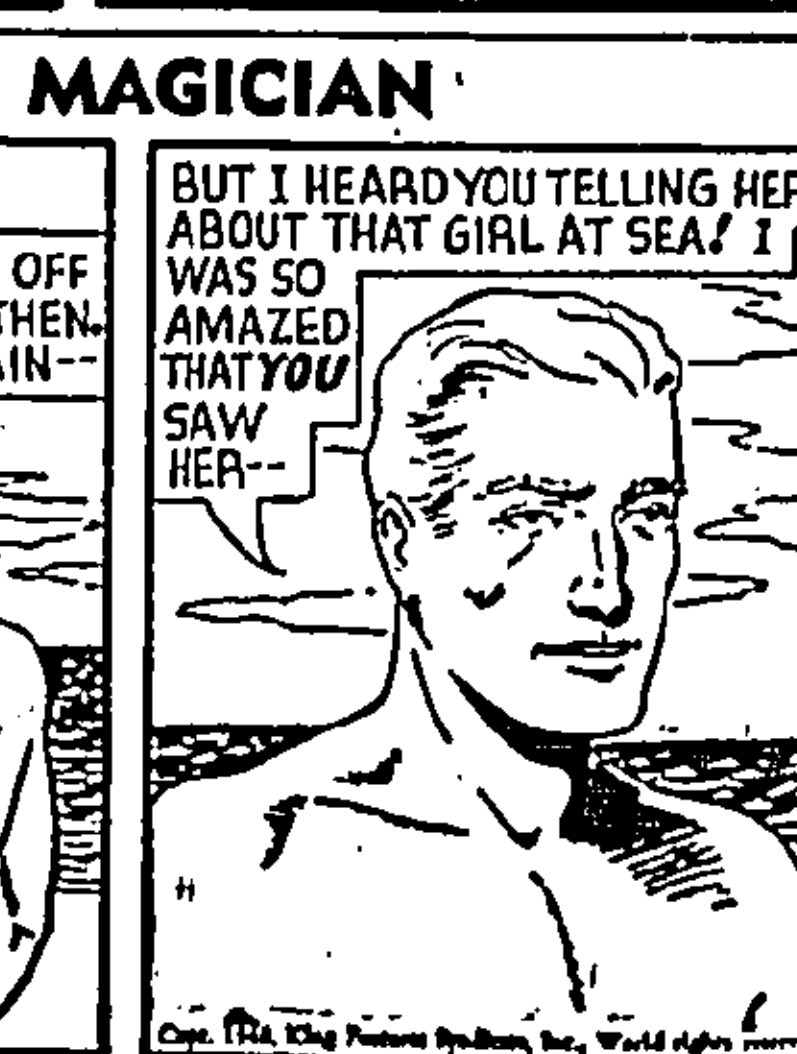
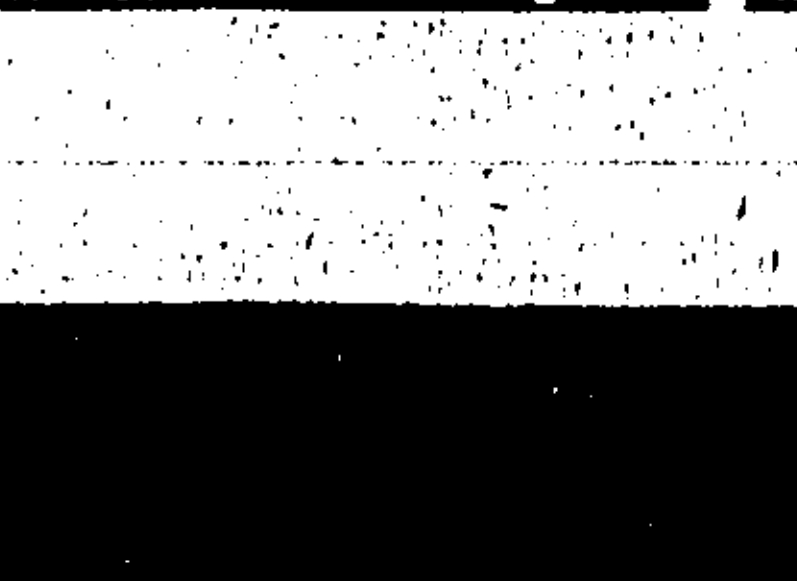
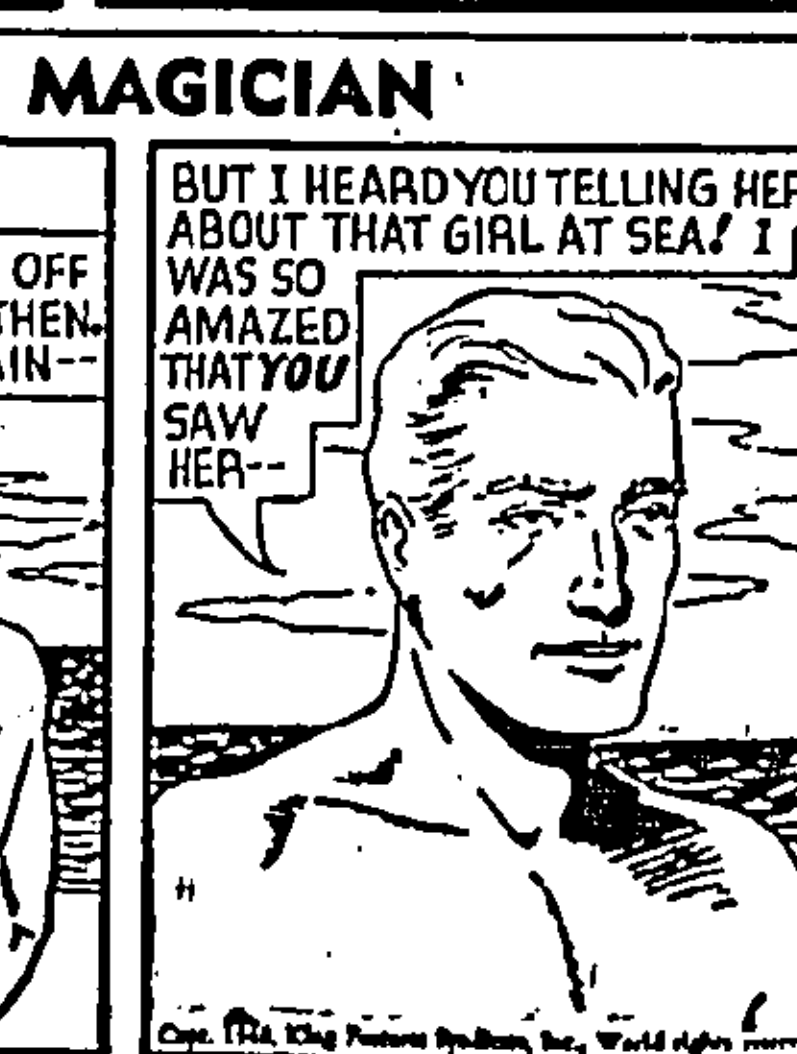
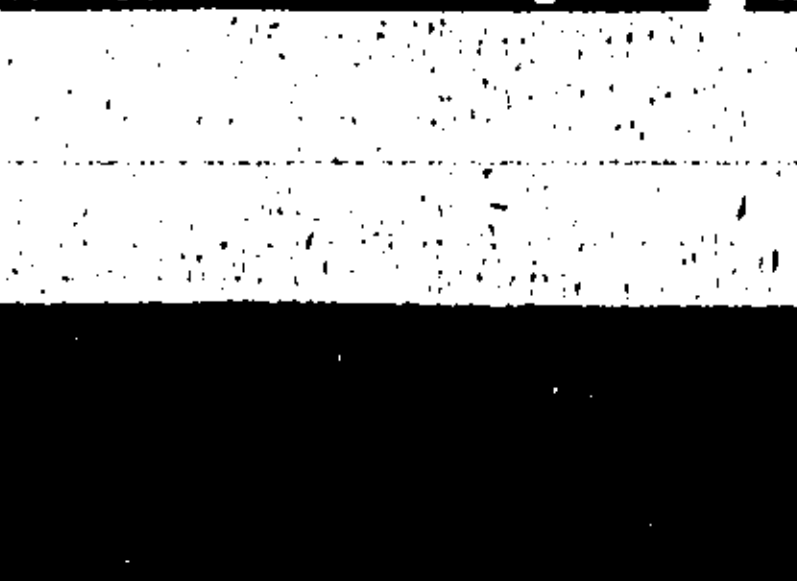
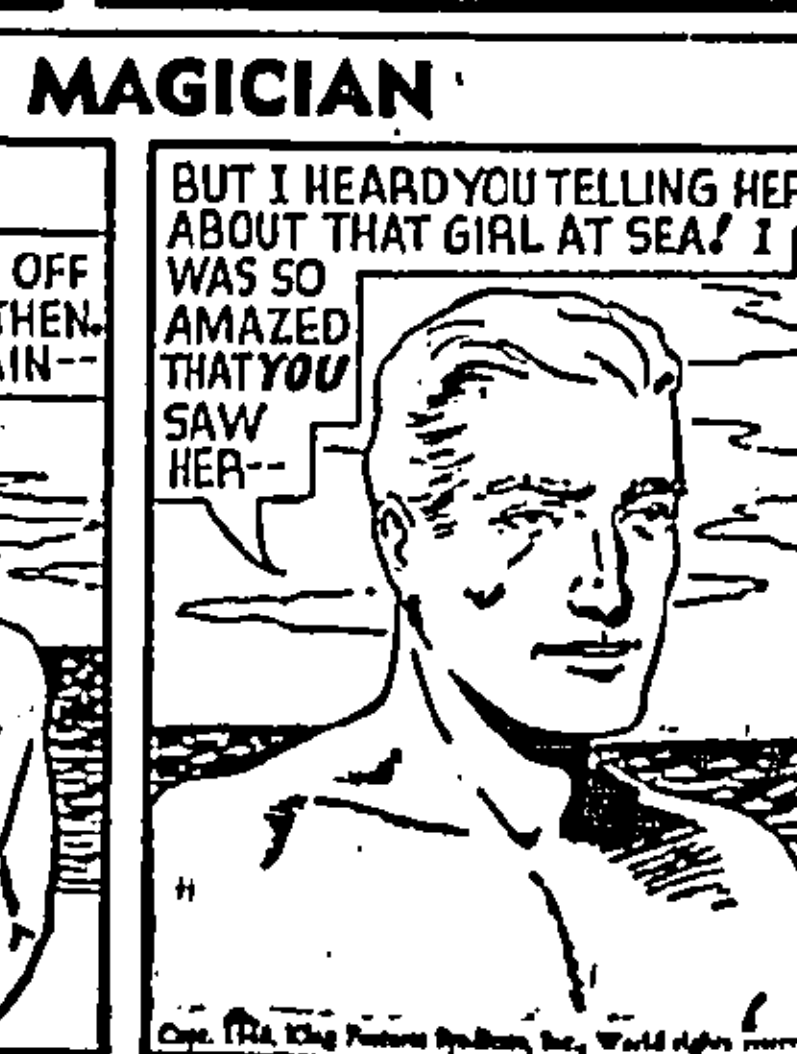
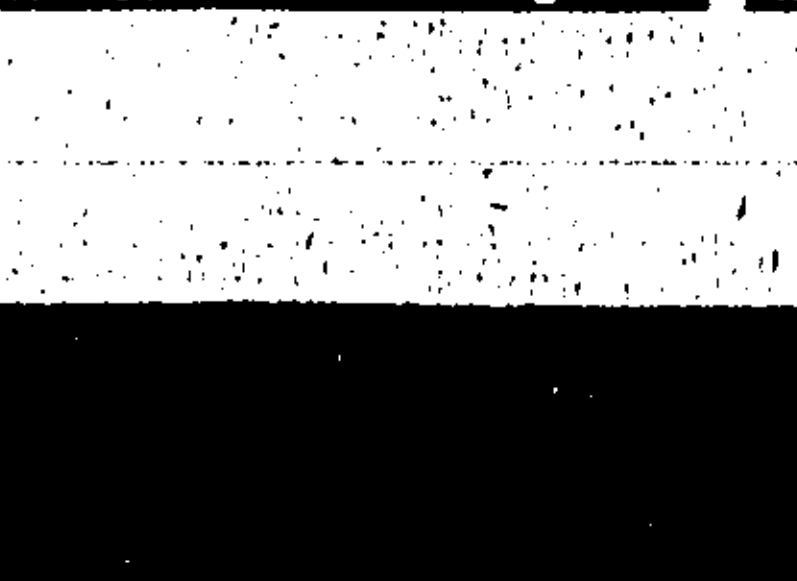
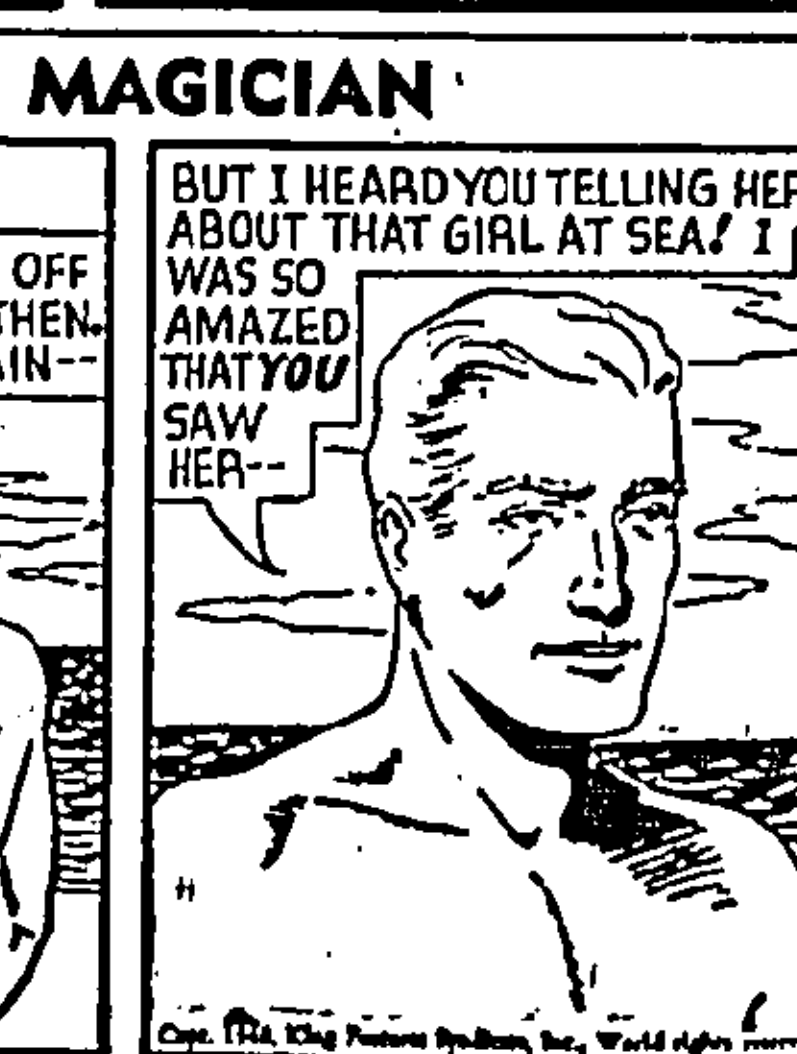
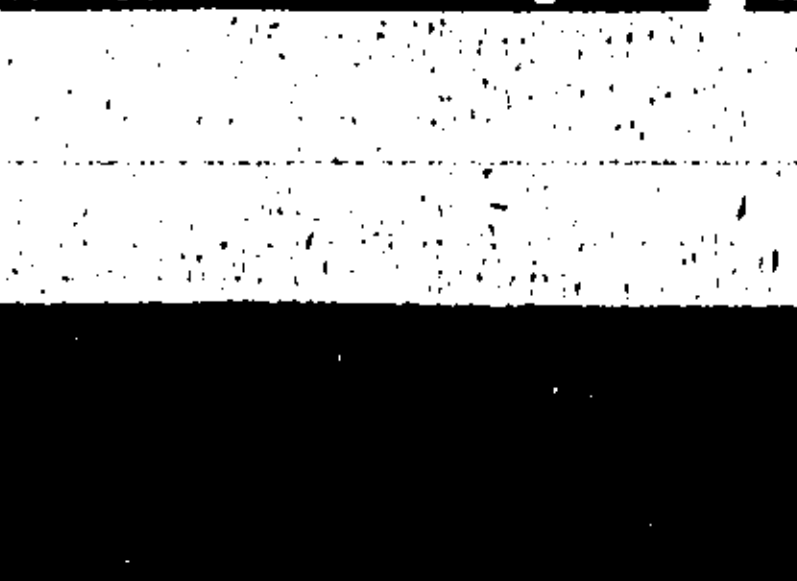
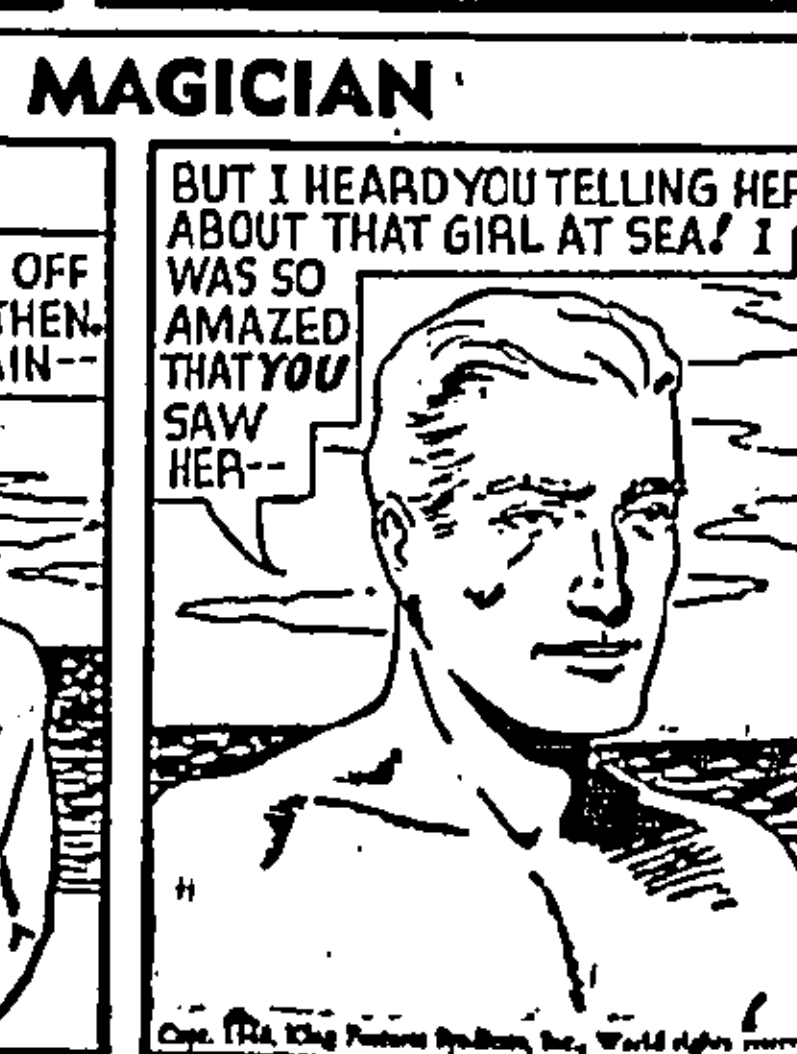
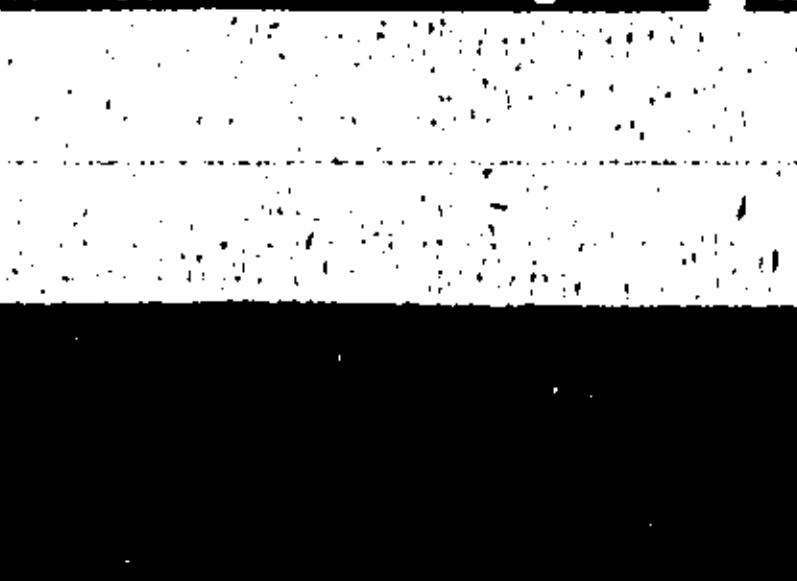
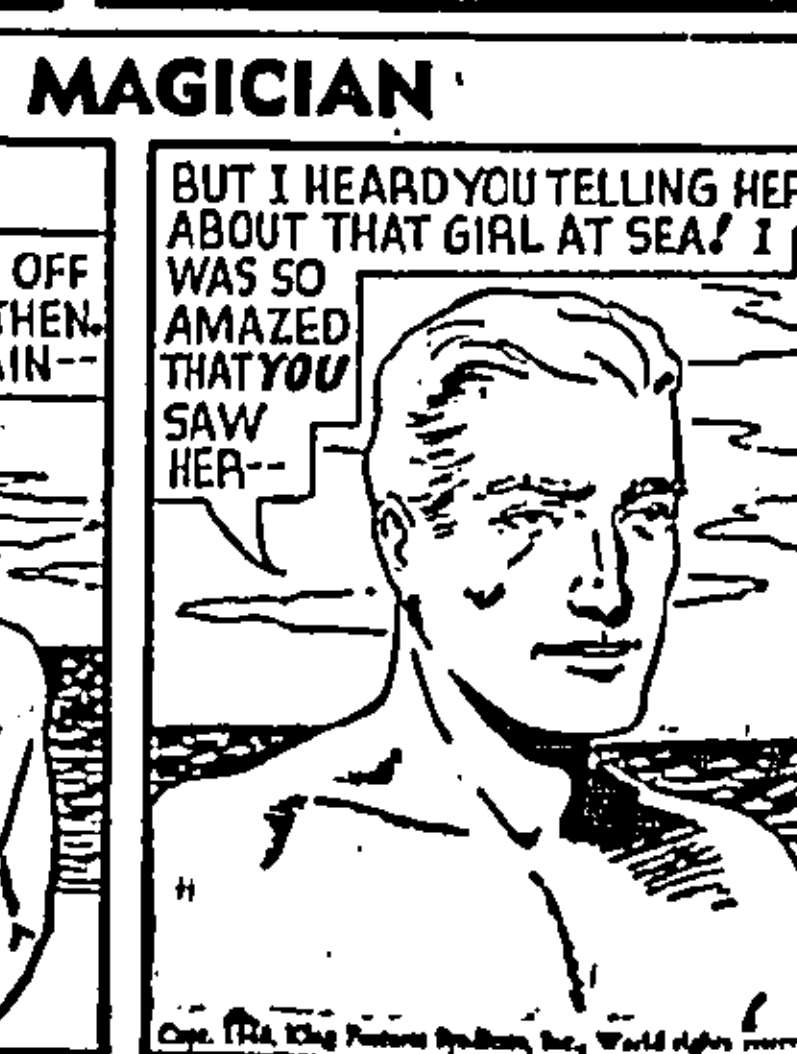
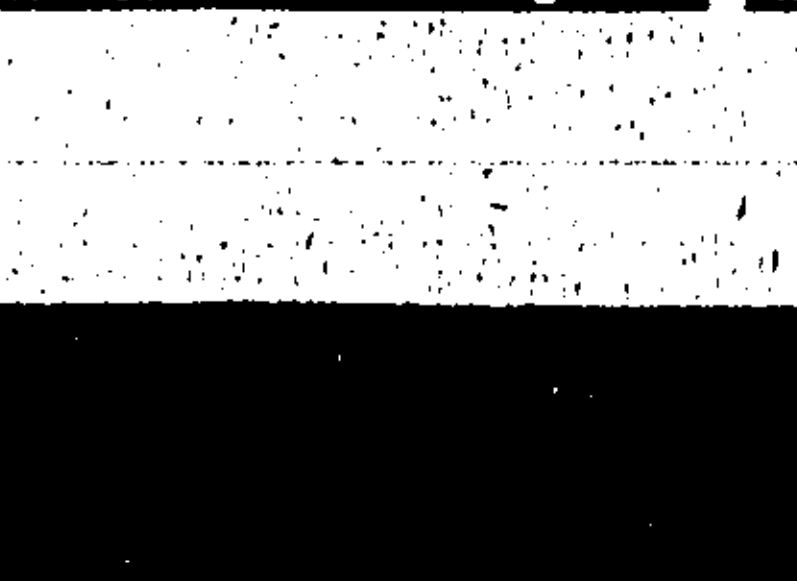
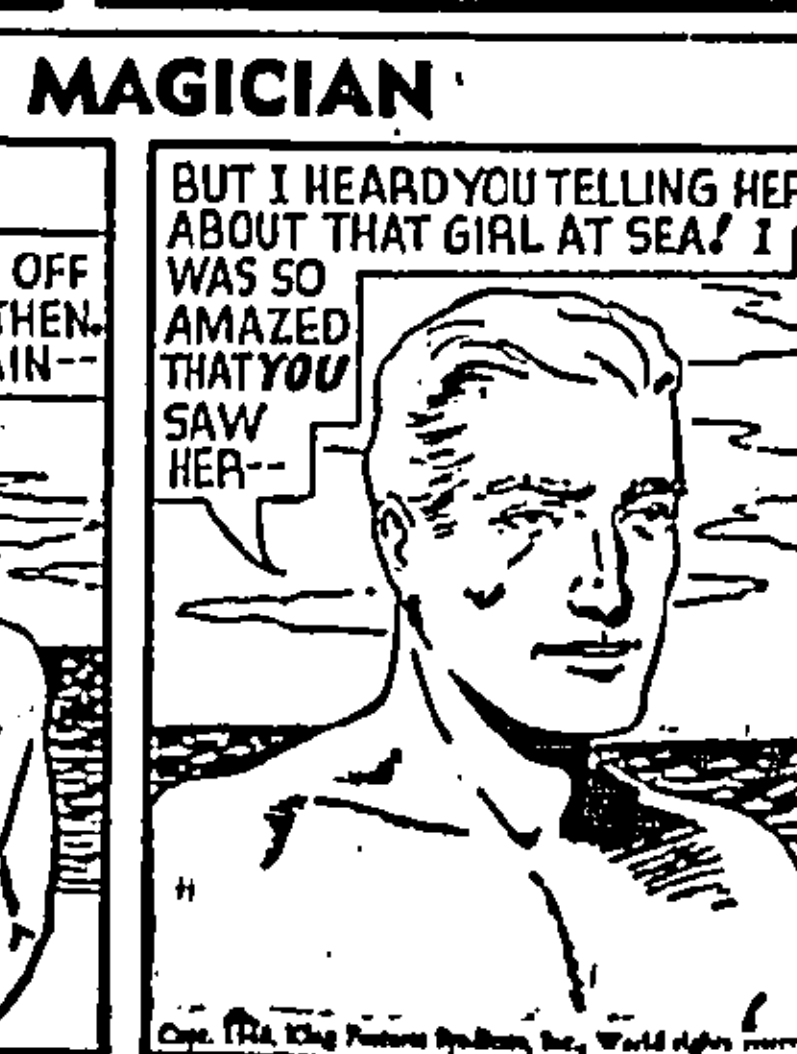
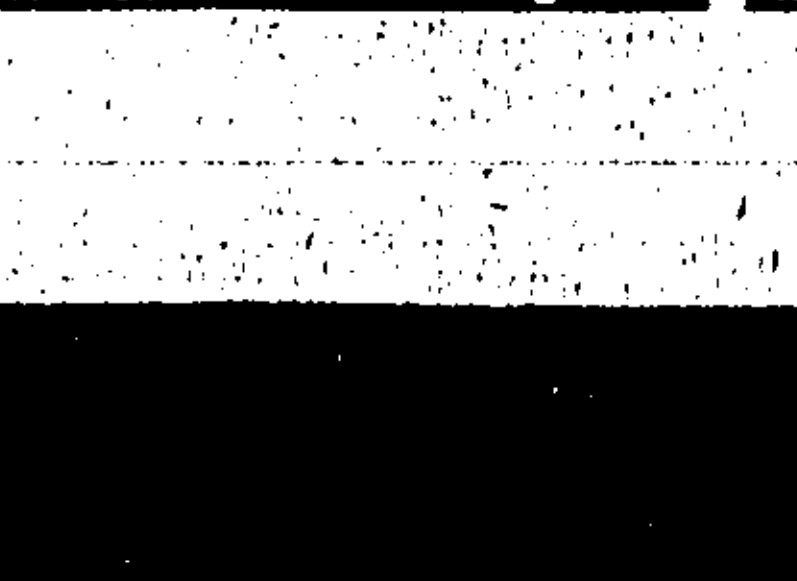
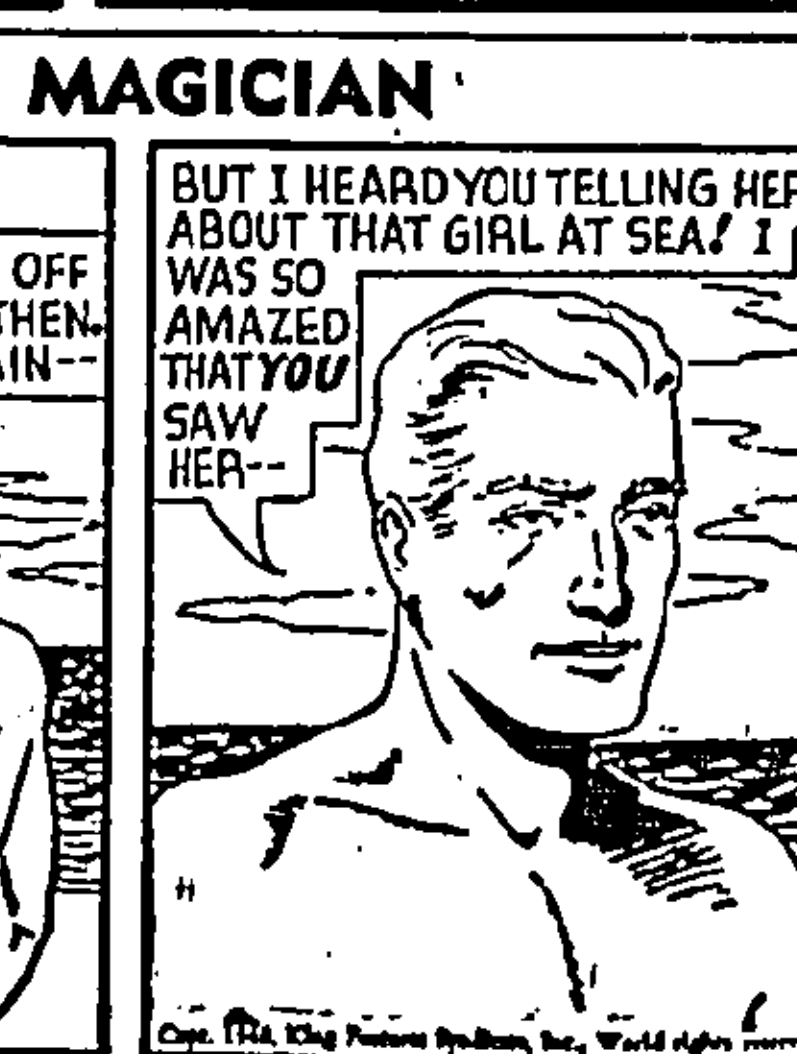
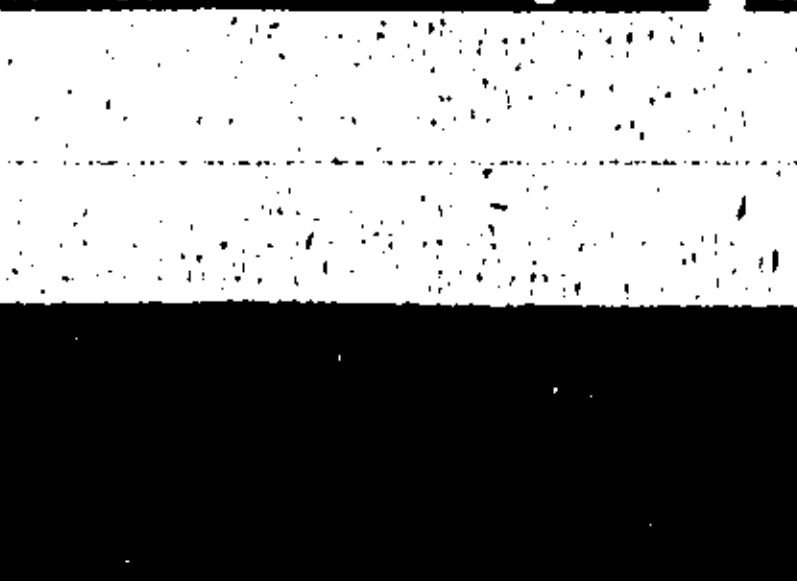
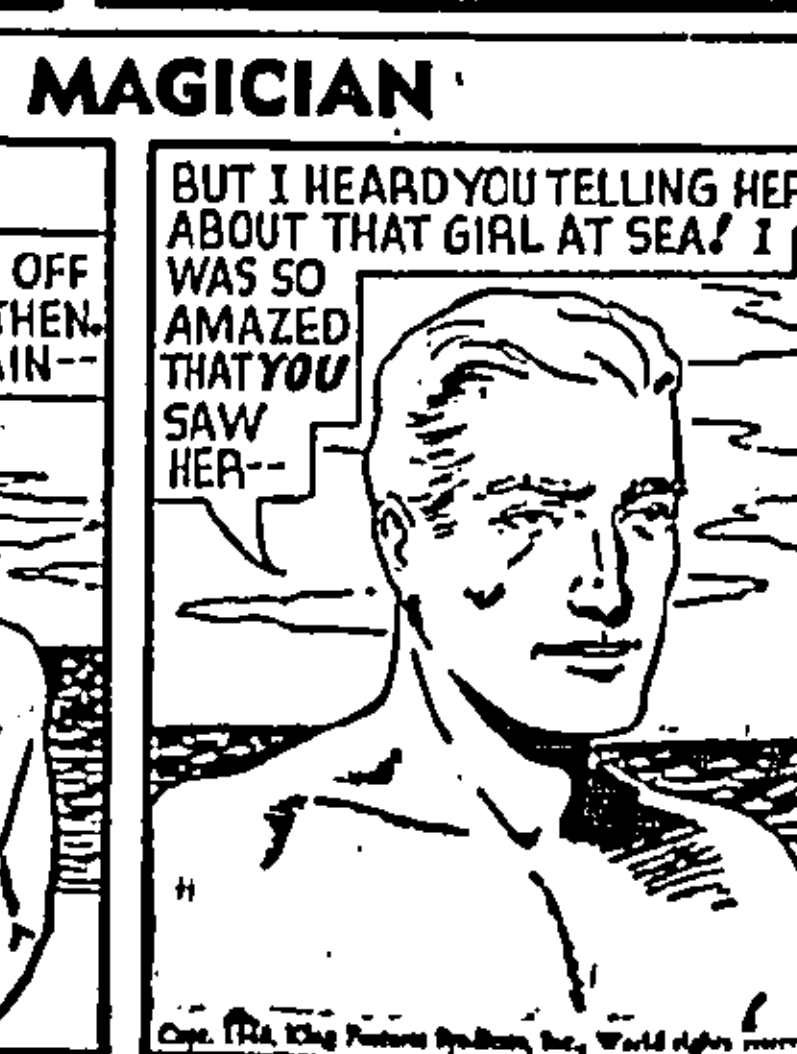
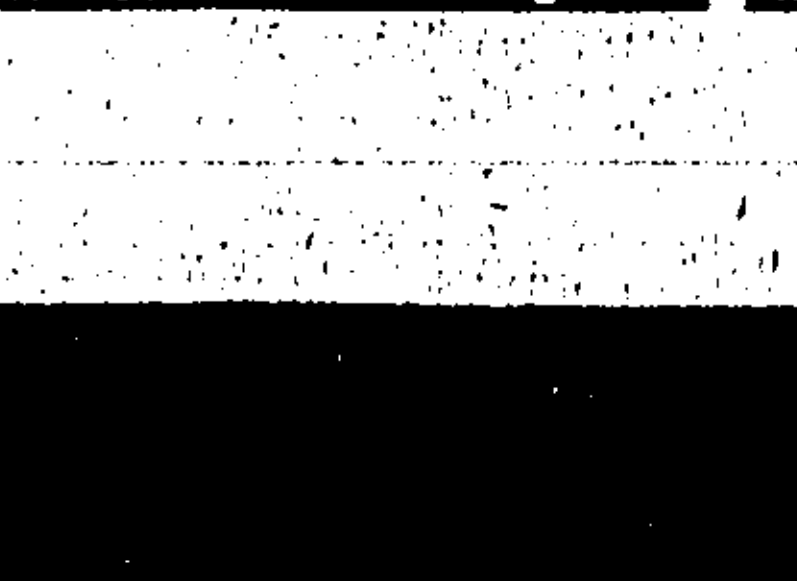
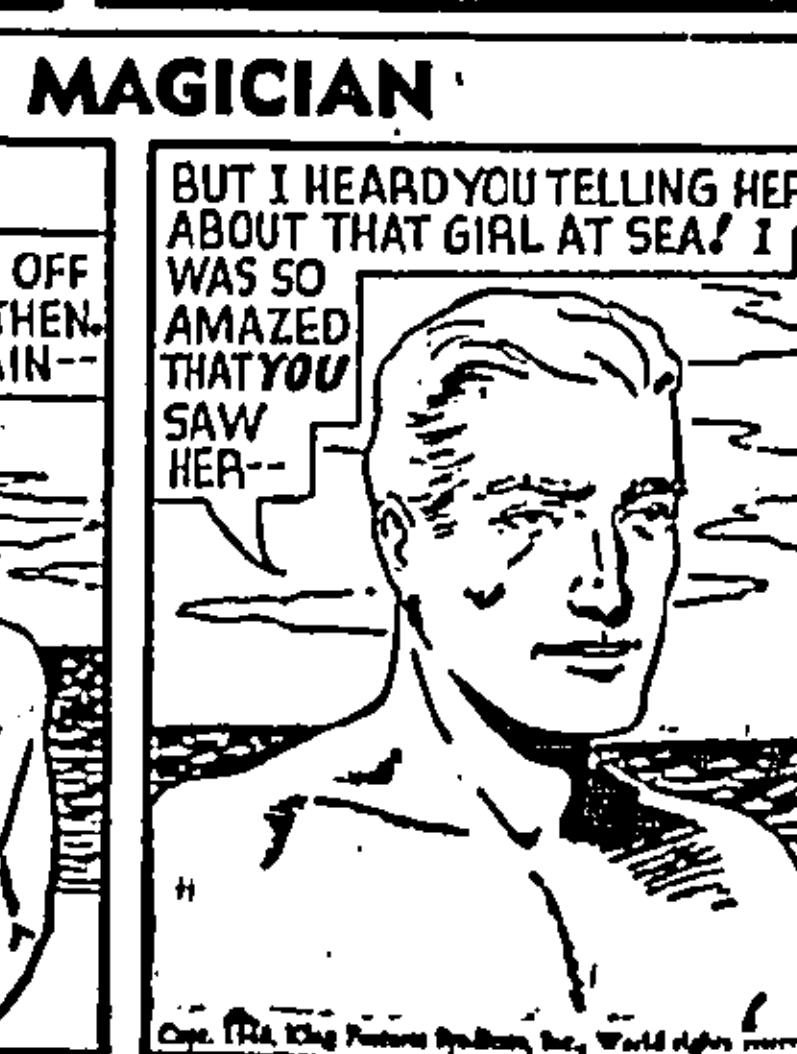
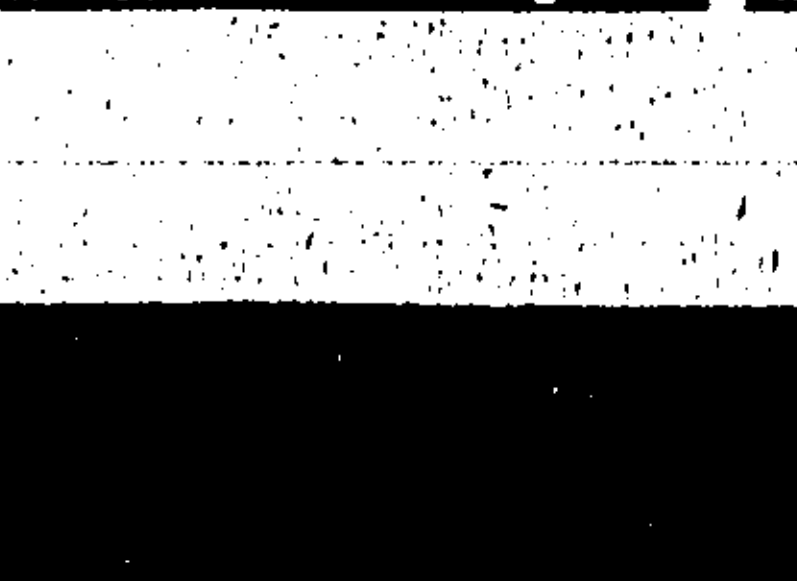
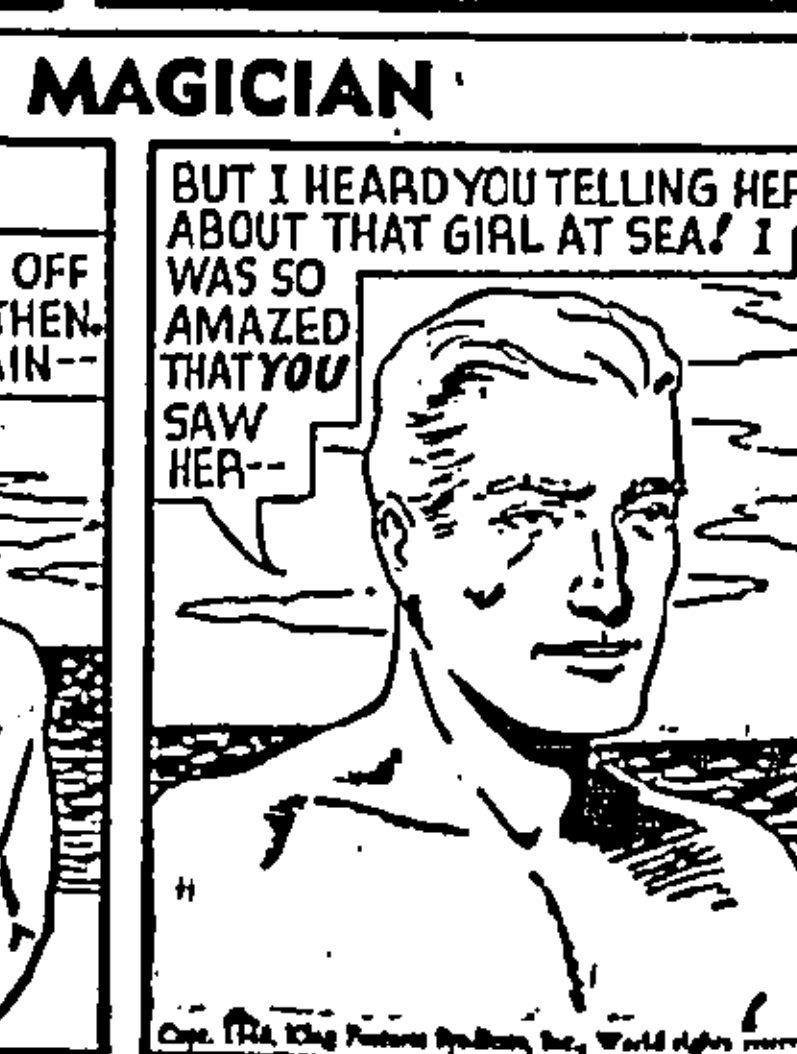
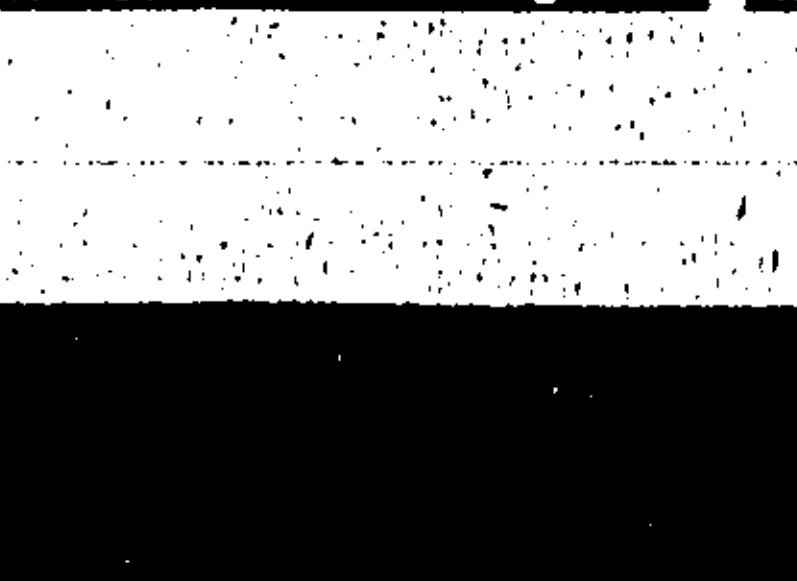
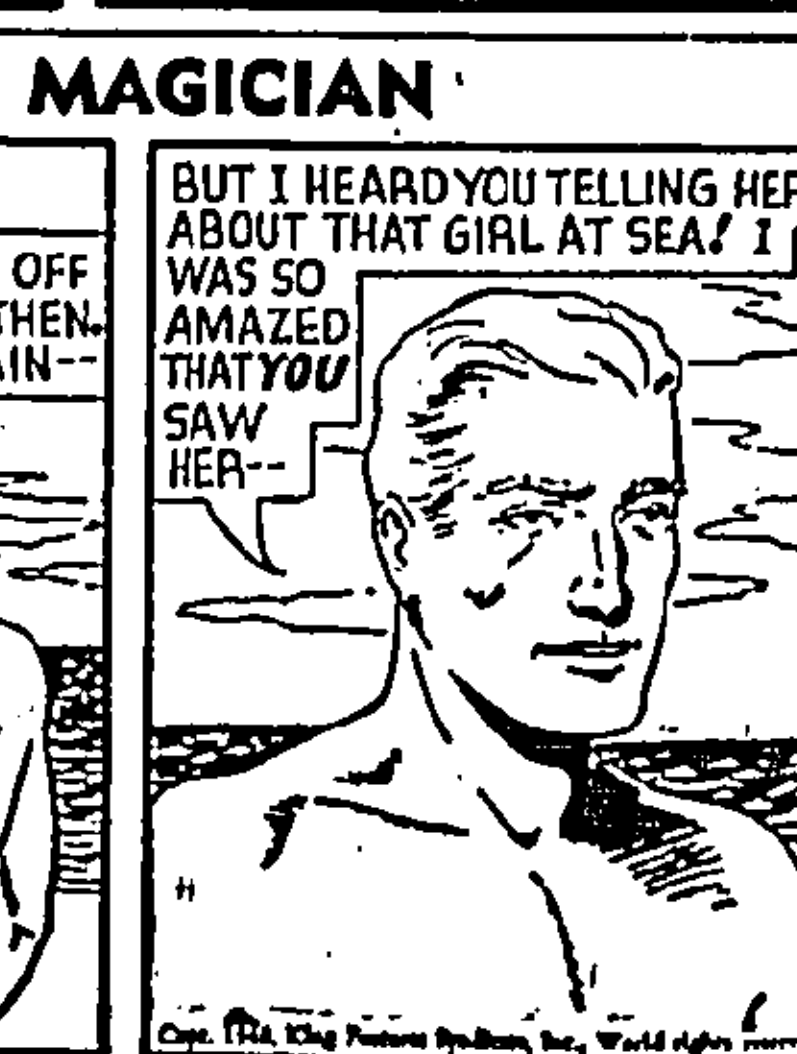
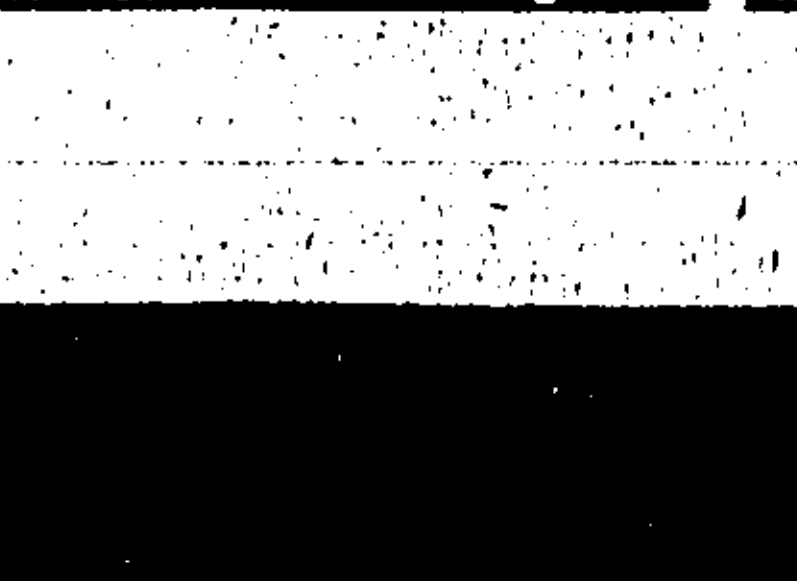
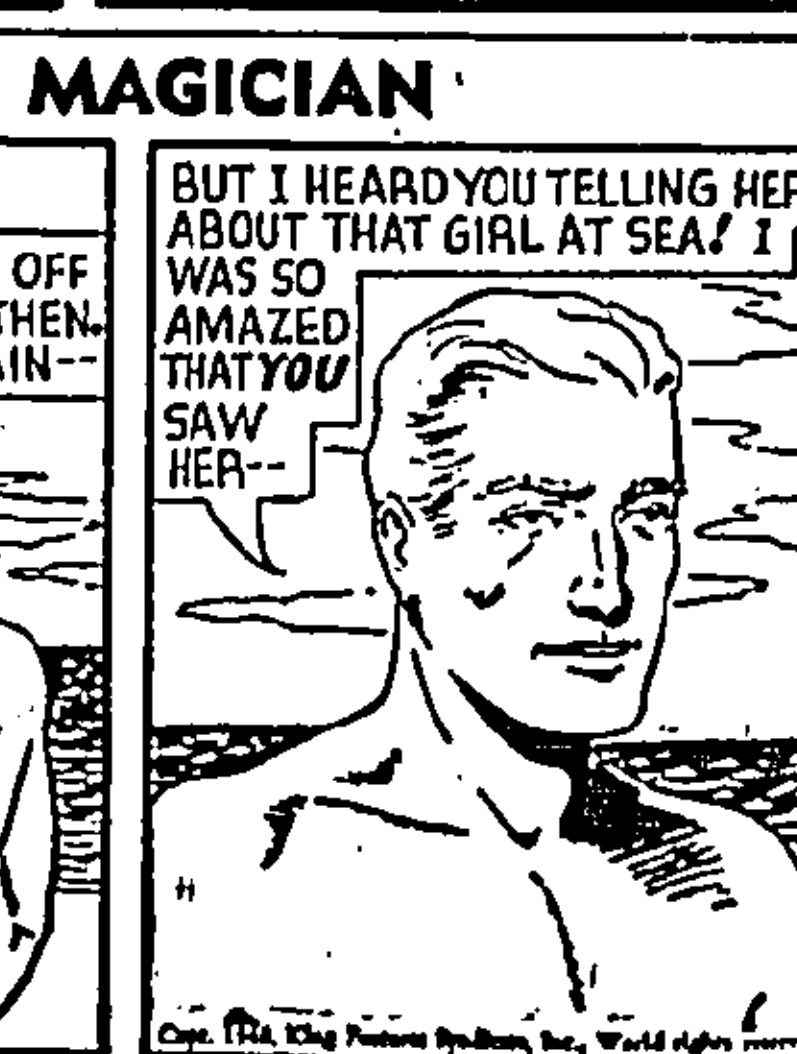
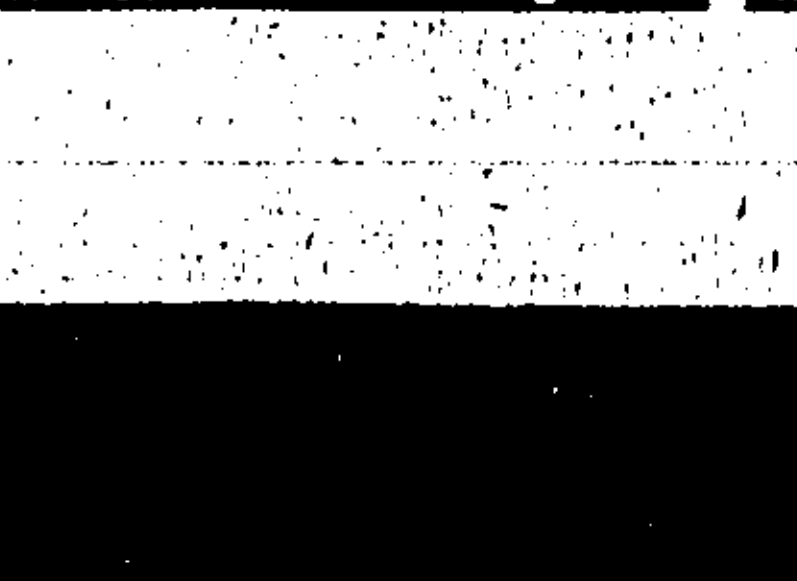
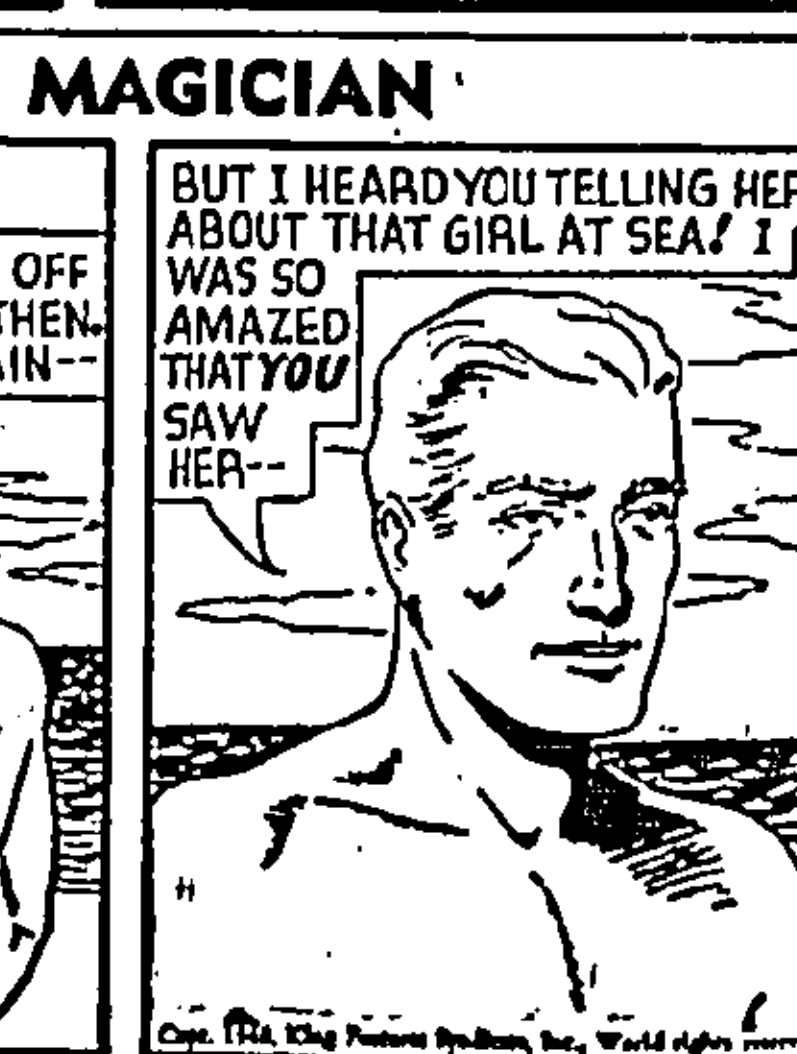
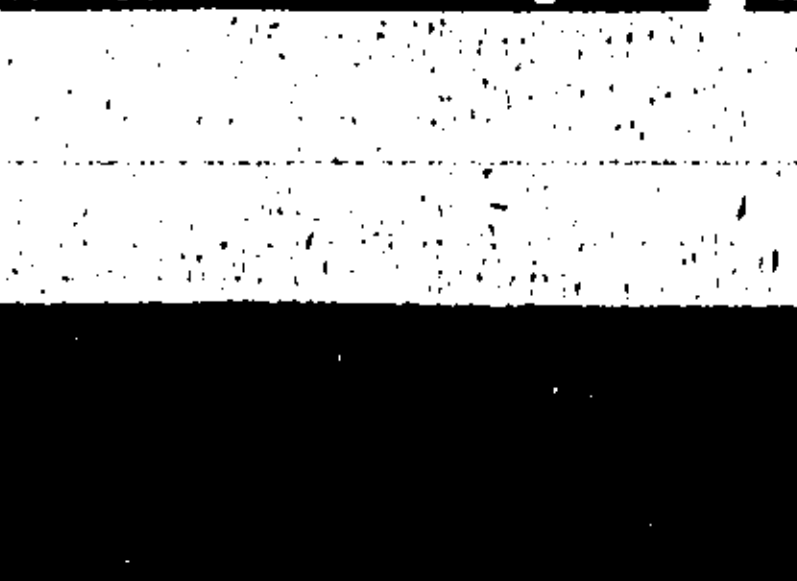
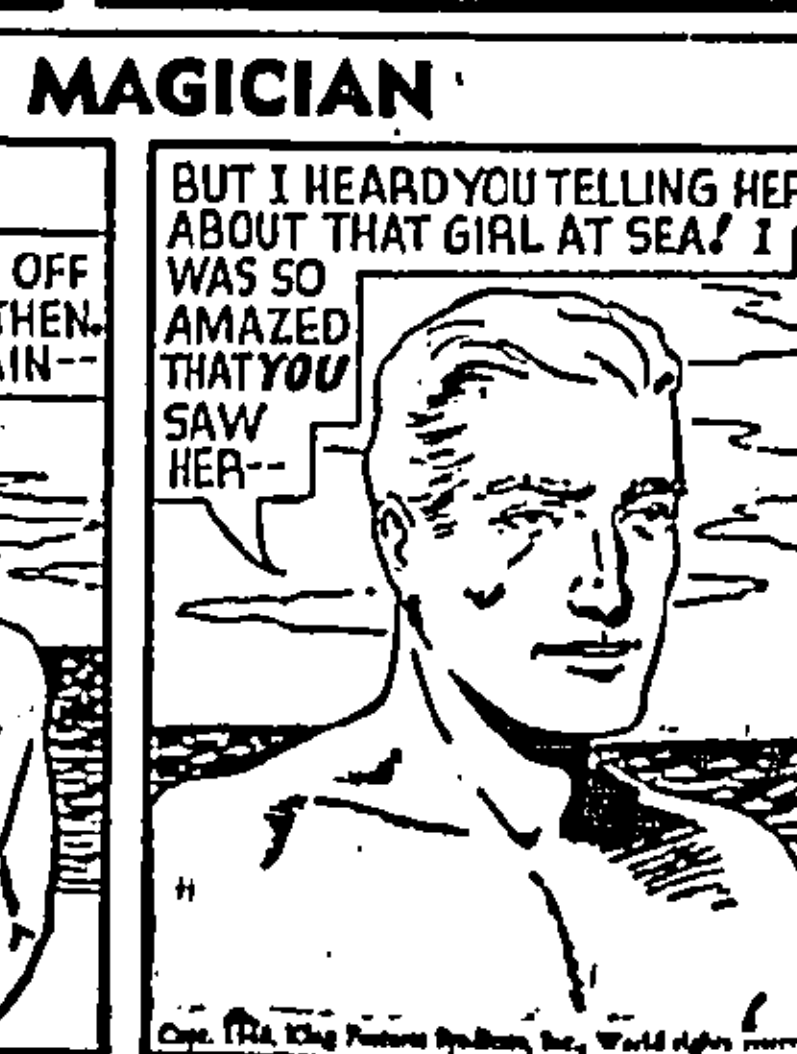
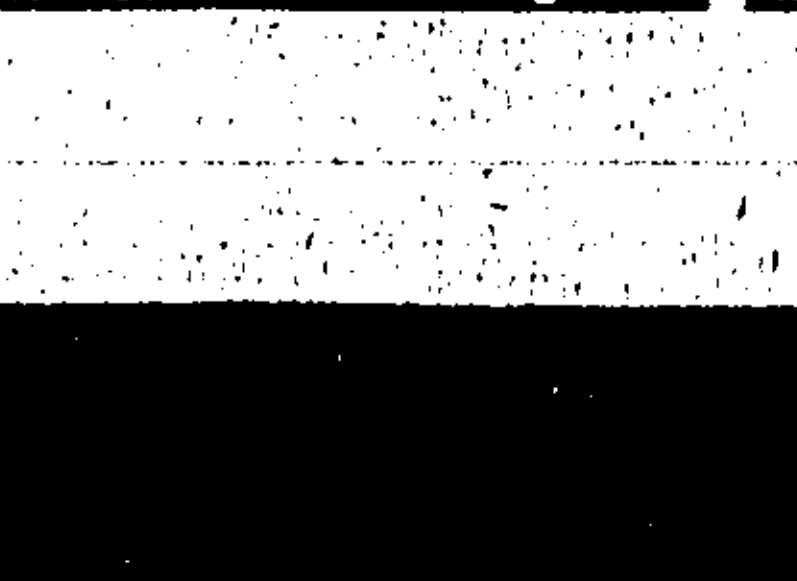
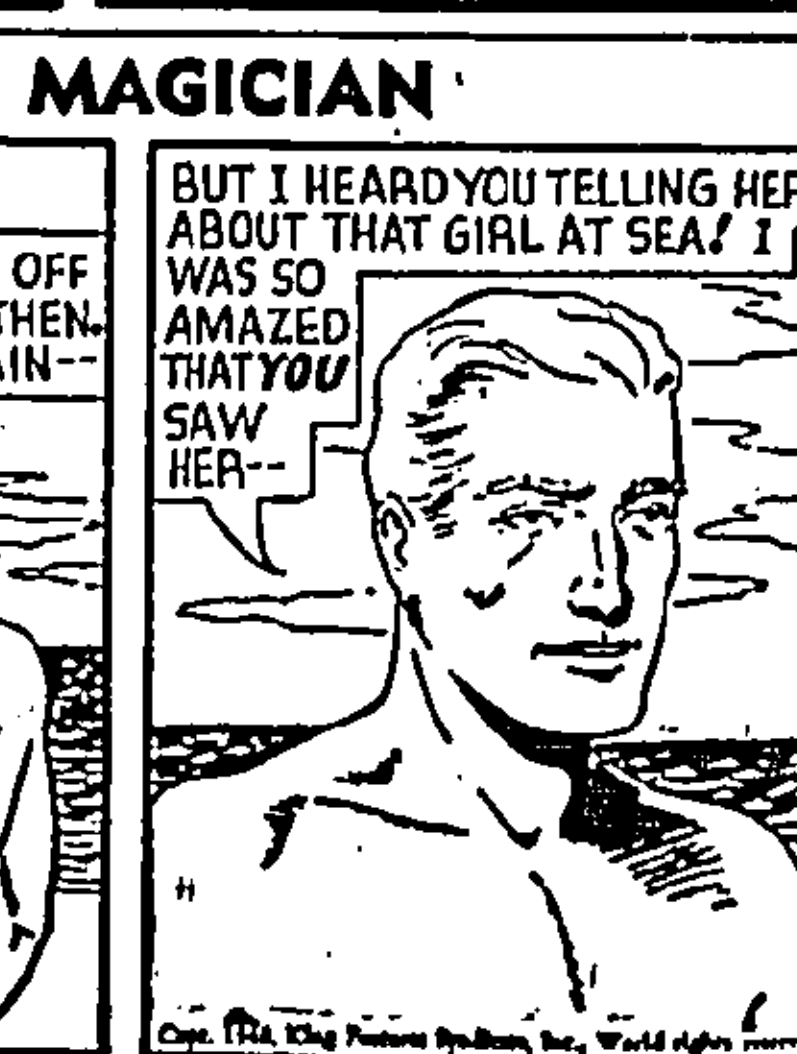
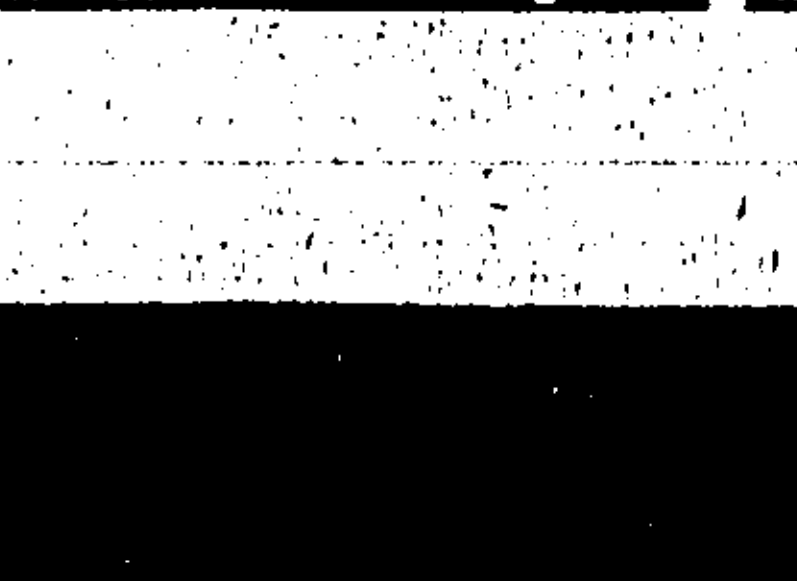
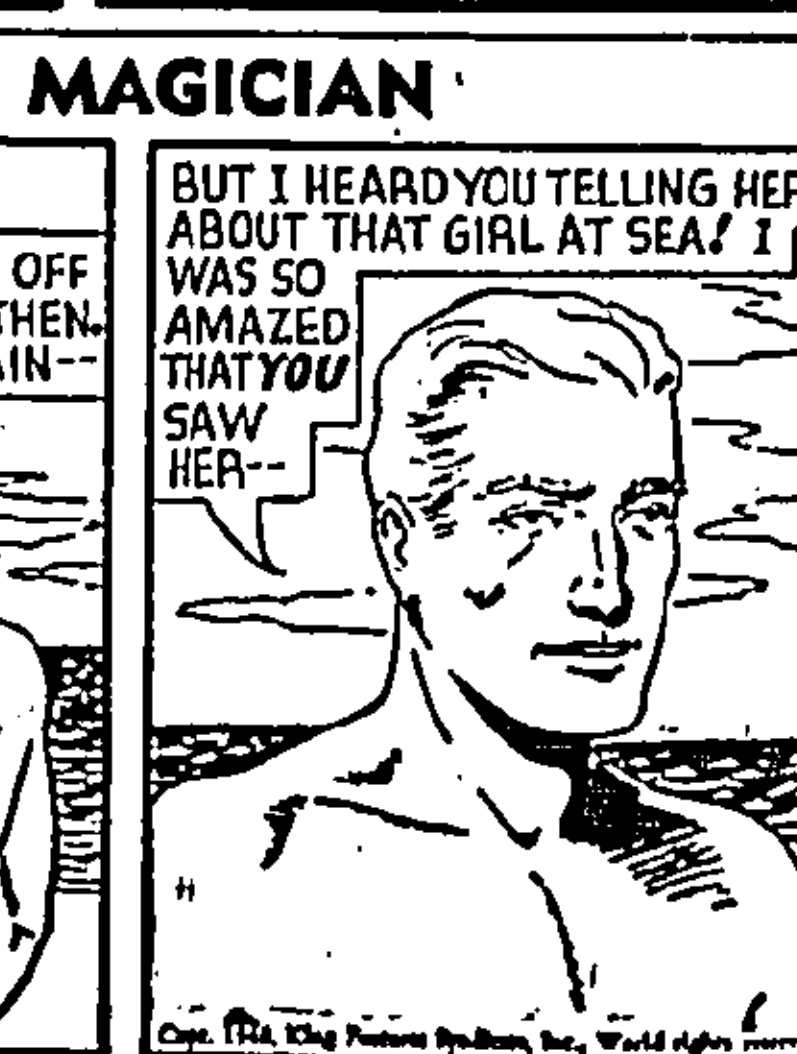
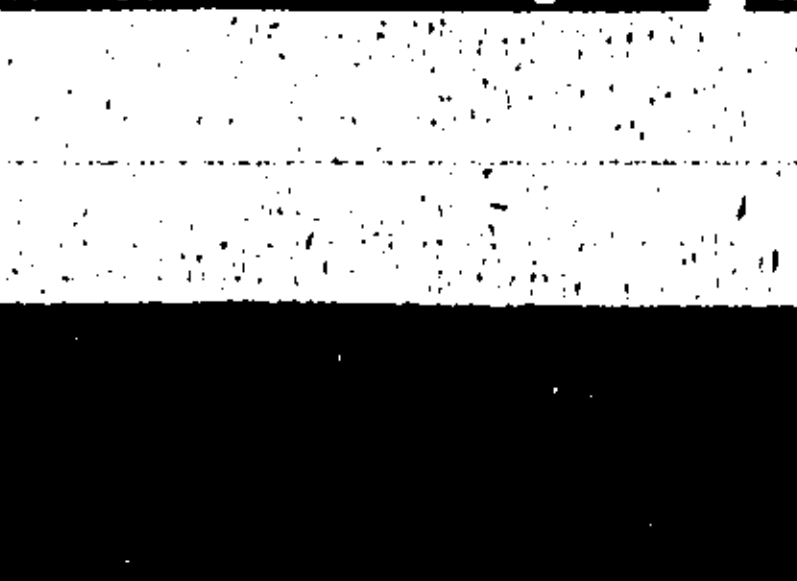
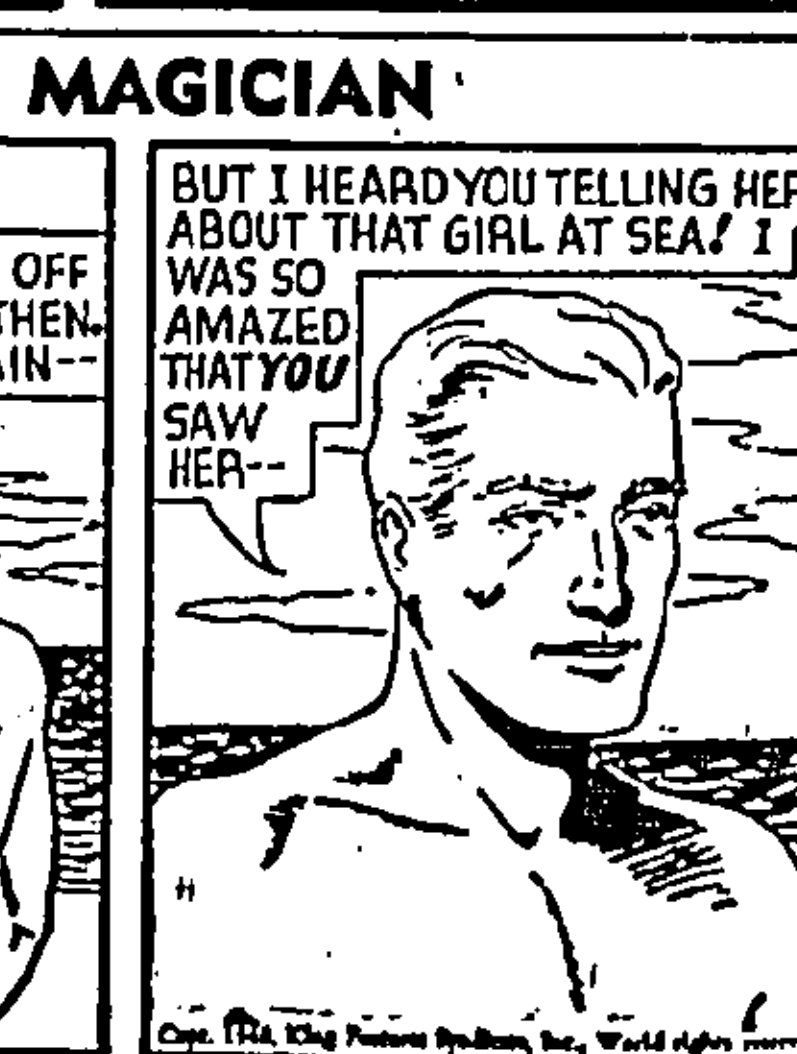
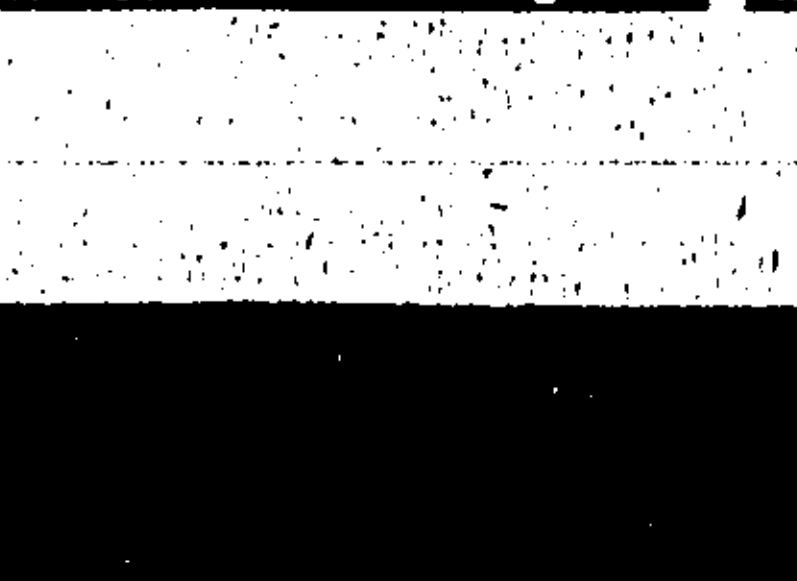
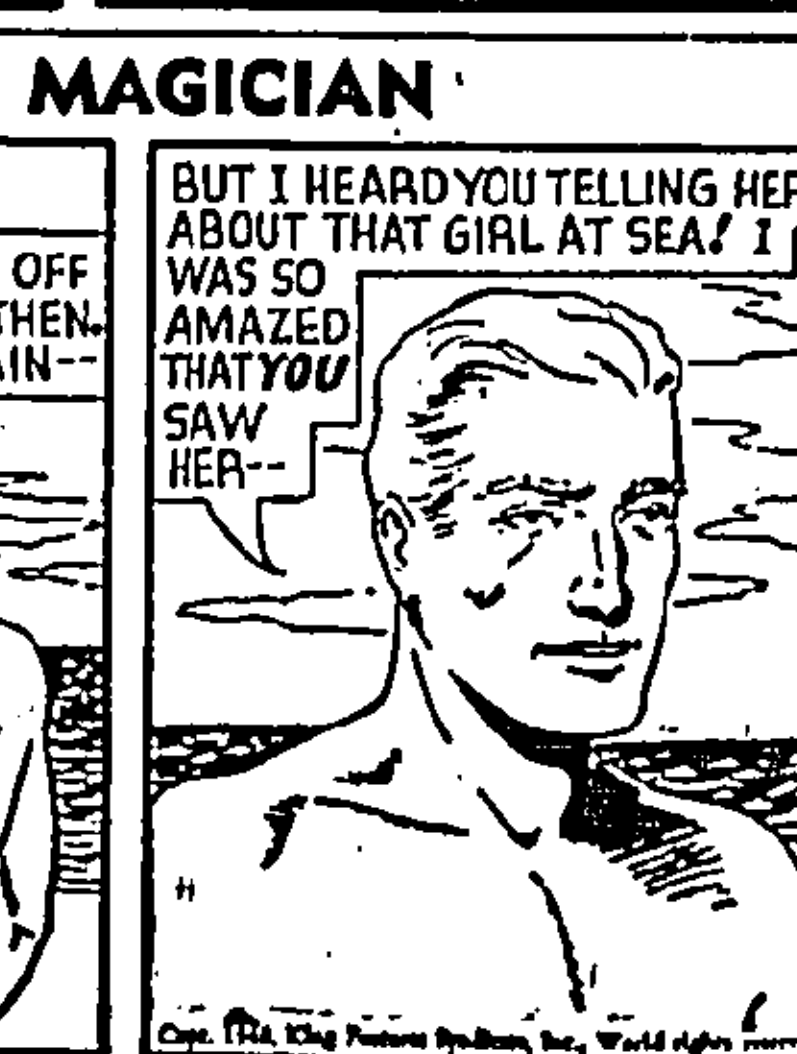
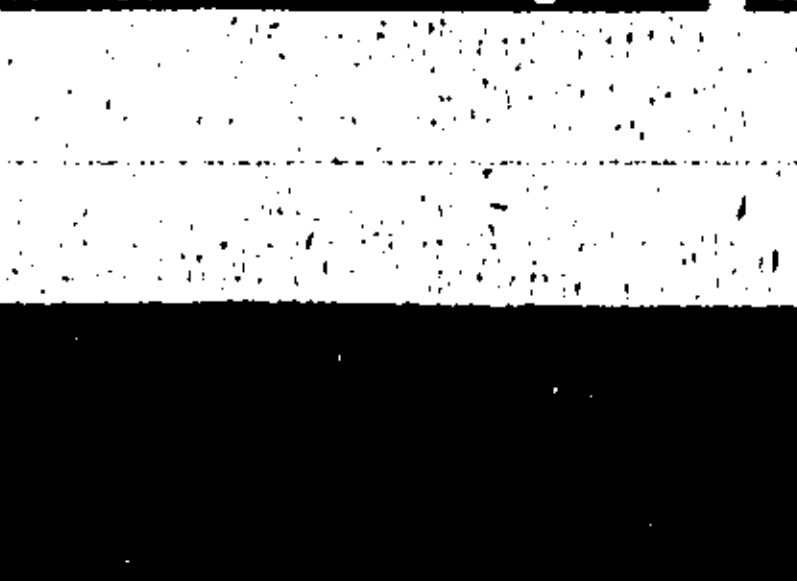
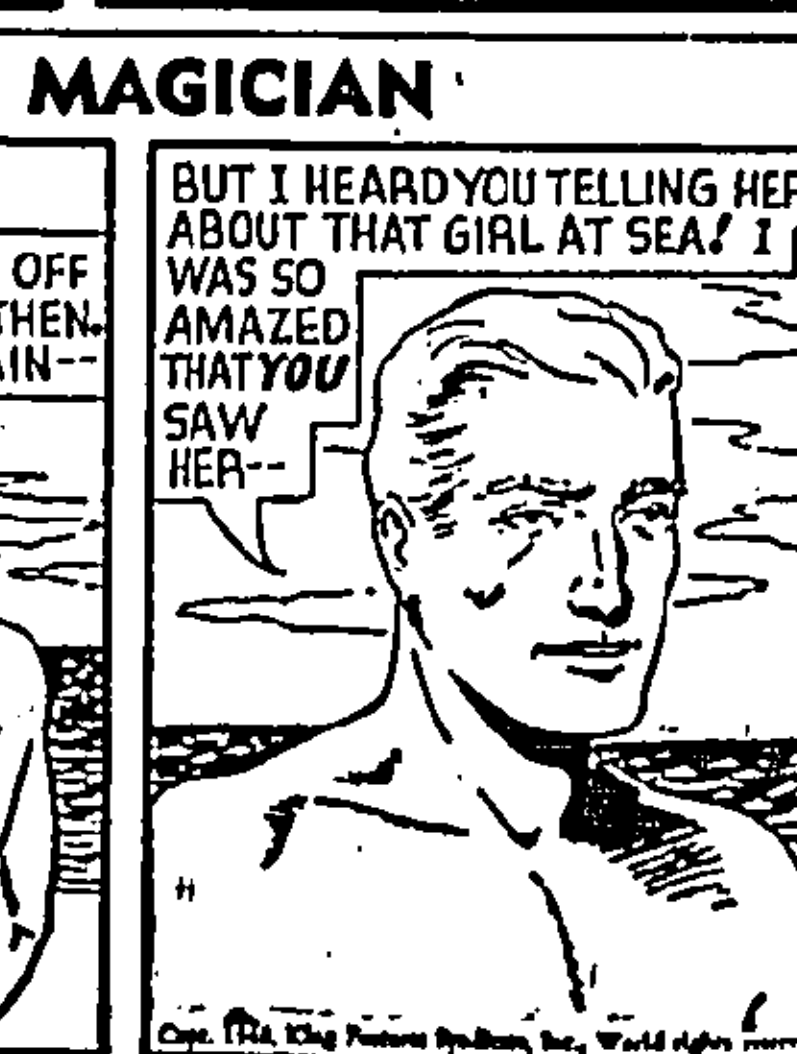
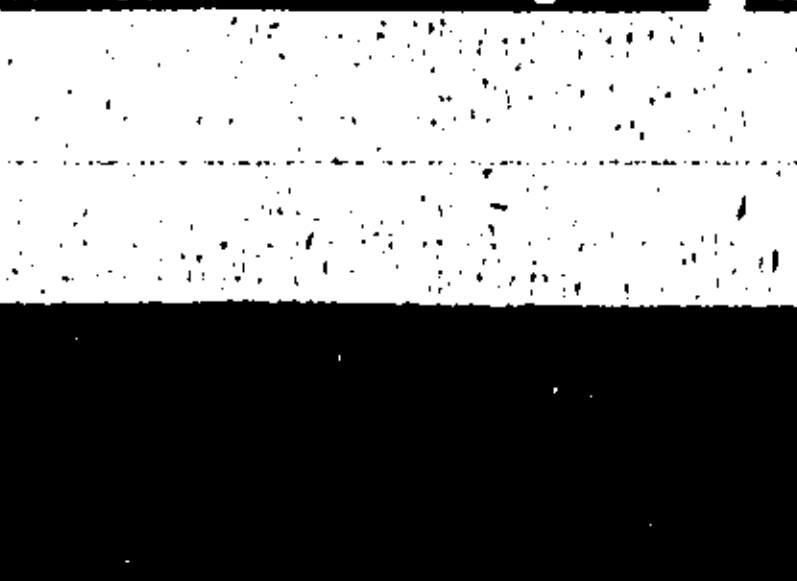
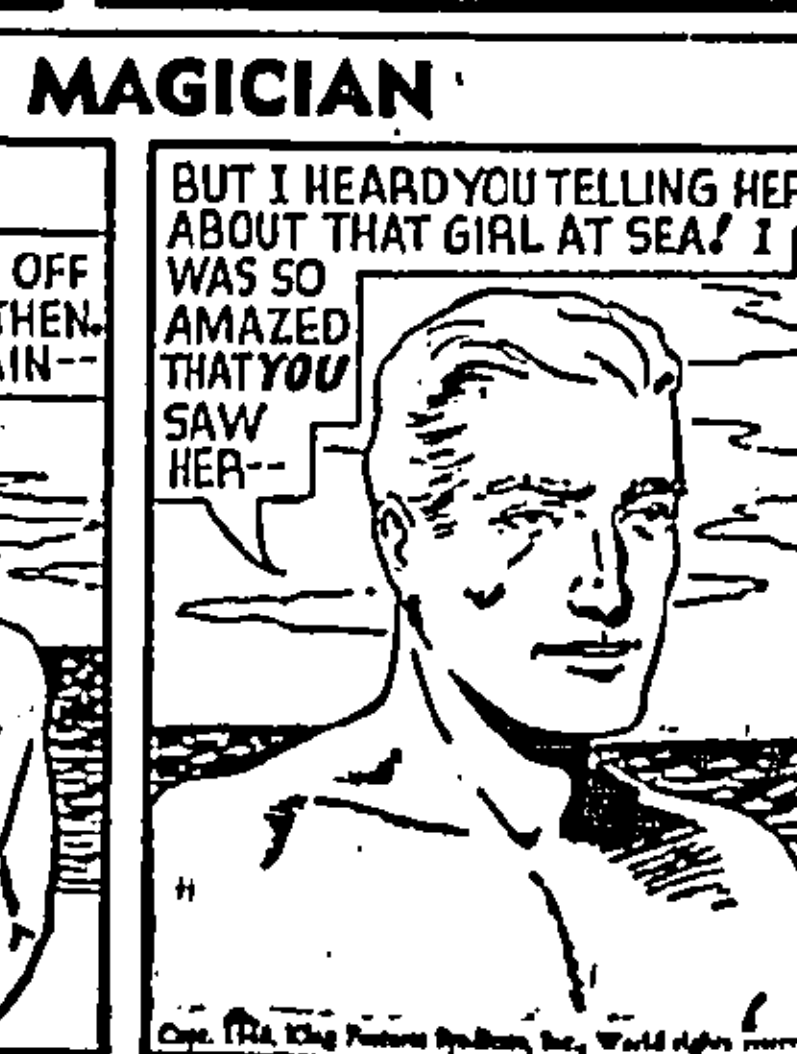
"I keep a file on the rented hats," she said. "Including detailed information about the reaction each hat received. It serves as a valuable guide when renting hats to other customers."

"I've found that most men like attractive hats, no matter how mad, and a creation it might be. Sure, they howl, but they don't mean it. When their women draw attention it pleases their ego."

Miss Clarke said that for blind dates she suggests a "head-hugging green lame, with drooping, black, palm glycerine feathers. And for dinner with a business man, a 'falcon,' cluttered with pink plumes."

She said the out of town buyer type, who wants to paint the town red in one night, usually likes "the provocative, profile hats that have plenty of sophistication."

But it's always the Flora Dora, she said, when the men are sentimental and on the verge of proposal. "It has a homey air," she said. "I guess it reminds the boys of their mothers."—United Press.



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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SHUDDERS IN 'QUAKE

DAMAGE EXTENSIVE BUT LIGHT

Los Angeles, December 4.

Southern California was rocked from Ventura to San Diego today by a stronger but far less damaging earthquake than the one which wrecked Long Beach in 1932.

Hoffman On Dismantling Settlement

Washington, December 4.

The Marshall Plan Administrator, Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, who leaves for Britain today, hopes to have settled the question of the dismantling of German industries by the middle of next week, it was authoritatively learned in Washington today.

The special Reparations Committee under Mr. George Humphreys, which has been considering the German dismantling problem, will meet in London next week to submit to Mr. Hoffman their final report on the plants that should be left in Germany for the benefit of European recovery.

Full details of the Humphrey Committee report are not known, but it is believed to urge the retention in Germany of some 400 plants formerly due for dismantling and shipping to Allied countries as reparations.

French Attitude

Mr. Hoffman hopes to secure British and French agreement to the Committee's recommendations without resorting to the procedure laid down under the Economic Co-operation Administration Act, whereby he would have to ask the State Department to request Britain and France to revise their dismantling programmes.

Britain is not expected to oppose the new plan, but the French attitude, especially in view of the current feelings on the Ruhr question, is more uncertain.

Mr. Averell Harriman, the Marshall Plan Ambassador-at-large, was returning to Paris this week-end to consult the French authorities on the matter. He was expected to join Mr. Hoffman in London next Tuesday.—Reuter.

Secret Army To Overthrow U.S. Govt

Washington, December 4.

House investigators said today that 800 Moscow-trained American Communists are leading a "secret Army" now being drilled to overthrow our government.

The Un-American Activities Committee said that the 800 Communists were trained at the Lenin School in Moscow and returned to the United States.

The statement was made in a committee pamphlet just released, entitled "100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Education." The committee described the Lenin school as the "highest college of Communist training." The school's students receive free courses in factory sabotage, bomb-making, kidnapping, train-wrecking, mutiny, civil warfare, espionage and infiltration, said the committee.

The objective of the school was to produce agents who know how to paralyze a nation from within and capture it.

In the list of 100 questions and answers the committee said that the Communists are attempting to take over the American school system.—United Press.

The shock—which travelled North West after striking the Pacific coast of Mexico last night—wrecked thousands of dollars worth of merchandise in Palm Springs, shattered windows throughout the area and made a pregnant elephant in the Griffiths Park Zoo have a miscarriage.

The only thing which prevented far more serious damage was the fact that the shock was confined in the Coachella Desert.

Railway officials at Beaumont, near the quake centre, said the shock was the hardest ever felt there. In Indio, south of Beaumont, it shook merchandise from the shelves, cracked walls and broke plate glass windows. Early diners at the Indio Hotel were showered with falling plaster.

The quake began at 2344 GMT (7.44 a.m. Sunday, Hong Kong Time) and continued in Los Angeles for over a minute. Palm Springs still was shaking half an hour later. The most serious and resort, which was crowded with movie stars spending the week-end.

Thousands of dollars worth of bottled liquor and glasses were broken in dozens of liquor stores and bars in Palm Springs, and pictures fell off the walls. One theatre was emptied and closed until police could check it for damage.

One woman movie-goer in the Hollywood Theatre jumped up and ran out, and the Union Pacific Railway telephone operator in Los Angeles talked Beach stopped for the first time in 25 years.

More than 100,000 football fans who saw Southern California and Notre Dame battle to a 14-14 deadlock in the Los Angeles Coliseum emptied the huge stadium just 10 minutes before the quake. Newspapersmen said in the Press box glanced at their watches when the steel superstructure swayed from side to side, telephoned their offices and went on writing their football stories.

New Volcano?

Sass, the elephant which had the miscarriage, was the first expectant elephant mother in Zoo history. "It was a bit annoying."

Women Support Soviet Proposal

Budapest, December 4.

Delegates claiming to represent 100 million women in 54 countries demanded at a meeting in Budapest tonight United Nations acceptance of the Soviet proposals on armaments and atomic energy as "the only possible way to curb war preparations."

The delegates—attending the Conference of the International Federation of Democratic Women—also called for "greatly increased efforts by women to preserve the world's peace and expose warmongering."

They resolved to set up a women's "Bill of Rights", expected to include a demand for "equal pay for equal work."

Delegates from Europe, Asia and the Western Hemisphere read reports on conditions in their countries.

The Congress is expected to close its present session on Monday after which the delegates will tour Hungary. The delegates were the guests of the Hungarian President, M. Arpad Szakasits, at a reception tonight.—Reuter.

Positional Warfare Criticised

Washington, December 4.

The "Army and Navy Journal," usually a reliable reflection of American military opinion, today severely criticised President Chiang Kai-shek's generals for their unsuccessful efforts to check the Communist advance in China.

"One reason for the recent succession of Nationalist defeats is the stubborn insistence of President Chiang's generals on positional warfare," said the Journal.

"This has occasioned heavy losses in men and material. The highly mobile Red forces have been permitted to range freely through the countryside of Manchuria and North China, encountering little opposition, save in the heavily garrisoned cities."

"These were often isolated and bypassed, the garrisons cut off from communications and ultimately falling as rich prizes to the aggressors."

"Unless there is an unforeseen change in the situation, observers see little hope of saving Nanking, Shanghai and other North China cities."—Reuter.

ELEVEN DIE IN TRAWLER WRECK

Reykjavik, December 4.

Six exhausted survivors of the Grimsey trawler, Sargon, were bailed up a towering cliff to safety as their ship, lashed by giant waves and blinding steel, broke up on the rocks of a lonely island fjord.

The rest of the crew were dead, ten from exposure and one washed overboard, after a night-long ordeal in which the Sargon was driven on to the rocks by a 70 mile an hour gale.

Coastguards and farmers, after battling for hours to reach a point where they could get a lifeline to the wrecked trawler, triggered a boat's chair to rescue the survivors.—Reuter.

Thousands Of Murderers Do "Get Away With It"

Chicago, December 5.

To the axiom "You can't get away with murder," the American Medical Association replies: "Several thousand people in the U.S. do each year."

And it puts full blame on the coroner's offices in most cases. It's simply that American coroners' offices often don't recognise a murder victim when they see one, the Journal of the AMA said in an editorial.

"In most states the coroner's office is so incompetent in the acquisition and interpretation of medical facts that only when murders have been witnessed or when bodies bear wounds regarded as being obviously homicidal are the deaths likely to be reported as murders," the Journal said.

Thousands Escape

According to the Journal, one death of each five in the United States—approximately 300,000 each year—is known or suspected to have resulted from violence or occurred unexpectedly from obscure causes. In this great pool, 13,000 murders are officially recognised.

"In regions where competent medical investigations of such deaths are conducted, in 10 per cent to 20 per cent of all murders, the crime appears to be unwitnessed and the body does not display external

wounds that can be regarded as indicative of homicide," the Journal said. "With reasonable certainty, it may be said that several thousands of murders pass unrecognized each year because of the absence of a competent agency for the acquisition of medico-legal information."

Examining Board

The Journal said the rights of these persons unjustly accused of murder also were sometimes endangered by the functions of the "archaic office of county coroner."

It recommended the establishment of a medical examining board—a practice adopted by a few states. These systems are headed by a pathologist and staffed with physicians within the state serving on a part time basis. "Justice," said the Journal, "can tolerate neither ignorance nor charlatanism."—Associated Press.

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"TASMAN"	from Macassar & Javaport 7th January	to Javaport & Macassar 20th January
"TJIBADAK"	in port	to Javaport & Macassar 3rd February

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MISSION AIMS TO MAKE JAPAN SELF-SUPPORTING RAPIDLY

Washington, December 4.

SCAP Budget Mission experts are this week finalising details of an economic and rehabilitation programme designed to make Japan self-supporting relatively in a few years.

Britain Short Of Dollars For Cotton Purchase

Washington, December 5. Denis A. Fitzgerald, Food and Agriculture Director of the Economic Co-operation Administration, says Britain will have to re-negotiate almost US\$50,000,000 in cotton purchase contracts with American exporters.

The amount represents the unshipped portion of an expected US\$65,000,000 British cotton purchase programme for the fourth quarter of 1948 and the first two quarters of 1949. Mr. Fitzgerald said.

On May 21 the ECA ruled that Marshall Plan financing would not be granted for cotton purchases unless ECA approval was given in advance for the purchases.

For the last week British officials have been negotiating with ECA here for a relaxation of that policy, having discovered it would be difficult to pay cash because of Britain's dwindling dollar resources.

ECA agreed. Mr. Fitzgerald said, to finance about US\$25,000,000 worth of cotton purchases made before May 21.

The Agency declined, however, to provide grants covering the full US\$65,000,000. ECA suggested that British purchase authorities re-negotiate their contracts with American exporters on the unshipped portion previously contracted for.

If this is done successfully, Mr. Fitzgerald said, ECA will approve the use of its funds to finance the newly written contracts. Associated Press.

Bullion Moves To Canton And Taiwan

Canton, December 5. All the Central Government's stocks of gold and silver are being shifted to Canton and Taiwan, according to reliable financial sources in Canton.

Movement of China's stocks of bullion is said to have begun towards the end of November.

It is also reported here that official information has been received that the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Education, and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce are to meet at Canton, while the Food Ministry will go to Hunan, and the Ministry of Justice to Kwangsi. This, however, is another of the many reports circulating the city. It is unofficially estimated that the flight of capital to Canton from North China since the first three months of this year totals GY4,000 million. Reuter.

(2) Recommendations for budget appropriations are for initial stages for Japan recovery; (3) An early stage call for emphasis on expanded importations of industrial raw materials. Although early emphasis will be on expanding importation of raw materials, the mission and all interested agencies in Washington are looking into every phase of Japan's export and import economy from a standpoint of raising her exports to a minimum point at which to pay for imports.

The commission is breaking the programme down into full detail but because of their recommendations directly related to money, no details will be disclosed. However, informed sources point out that Japan must import such basic industrial materials as petroleum, iron ore and pig, high-grade coal, lead, tin, crude rubber, zinc, nickel, aluminium, etc., wood and raw cotton. Although these sources do not speculate how.

Exports Growing

Although these sources do not speculate how long is the "relatively short span of years" or details of higher exports or imports, the indication of their thinking might be found in the recent speech by the Army Under-Secretary, Mr. William H. Draper.

Mr. Draper said: "Japanese exports have been growing and last year reached nearly US\$200,000,000, but they must increase by seven or eight times the present volume before they can pay for food and raw materials necessary to provide the tolerable standard of living for the Japanese nation."

Informed sources said that the Budget Mission rehabilitation programme planned to help Japan pay her own way instead of depending on the United States for at least US\$400,000,000 yearly. These sources said that the SCAP Budget Mission brings the economists who had been studying the problem at close range for months in Japan and Washington with the agencies who are committed to a realisation that Japan must become self-supporting in a relatively few years.

Their planning is now at the stage of dollars and cents per industry as well as per export and per import. United Press.

LONDON MONEY MARKET REVIEW

London, December 4.

War loan interest disbursements and other first of the month payments created conditions of ease on London's money market, in the past week.

Banks' reserves were considerably swollen by Treasury deposit receipts and maturities and despite considerable payments new treasury bills books were balanced without official assistance.

The credit ease stimulated demand for short dated bills and a fair turnover was reported in January and February rates.

The Bank of England's return with an increase of £9,000,000 showed that Christmas demand for currency has begun. Distribution of war loan interest was reflected by the rise in bankers' balances of £10,700,000.

Various changes showed expansion in the credit base of £2,000,000.

Applications for £170,000,000 Treasury bills totalled £320,835,000 of which £170,000,000 was

Western Europe Economy Makes Important Gains

Washington, December 4.

The Joint Congressional Committee on Economic Co-operation reported today that Western Europe's economy has made important gains under the Marshall Plan.

The report noted that in 11 countries the 1948 coal production was at a rate of 33,200,000 metric tons compared with 30,800,000 tons in 1947 and 38,900,000 tons in 1937.

The production of steel in 1948 was 3,200,000 tons, compared with 2,500,000 tons in 1947 and 4,000,000 tons in 1937.

The agricultural production for all of the 16 participating countries also shows substantial gains for the 1947-48 period.

The output of coarse grains at 30,500,000 tons exceeds the pre-war figure by 500,000 tons and the 1947-48 figure by 4,000,000 tons.

Fats and oils, sugar and meats, also showed improvement. The report also listed increased broad railroads in France and Italy, an increase in the German consumer production of 1,000,000 tons of fertilizers this year compared with 750,000 tons a year ago, a 19 per cent electric power increase over 1947 and steel production 27 per cent over 1947.

U.K. Uncertainty?

On the question of economic co-operation among the European countries, the report said: "It should be pointed out that the United Kingdom is accused unofficially by representatives of other participating nations of not going 'all-out' to bring about European unification because of the uncertainty as to whether she would be better off to base her future on her leadership of the British Empire or whether she should throw in her lot with Western Europe."

"Furthermore, the political uncertainty within France has made it impossible for the country to play the role assigned to her by the Economic Co-operation Administration, under which her location would indicate she should. Other points in the report

Norwegian Ship's Crew Rescued In North Sea

London, December 4.

The master and 13 members of the crew of the Norwegian steamer, Rojo, were picked up today by the British steamer, Gotland, and the French trawler, Godfrey de Bouillon, more than 24 hours after the Rojo had foundered in the North Sea.

The Gotland found the master and six of his crew drifting in a small boat. The Norwegians told their rescuers that seven of their shipmates were adrift in another boat somewhere in the vicinity.

A search began in which a Royal Air Force Lincoln plane, a Norwegian civilian plane, a British destroyer and the British steamer Vestra took part.

The Gotland took the master and the six crewmen to Copenhagen. Later the Lincoln, which took off in response to a radio message from the Gotland, sighted the second lifeboat 100 miles off Stonehaven, Scotland, shortly before dusk.

The Lincoln had just finished dropping five containers holding food, clothing and a dinghy to the men—five crewmen and an officer—when it sighted a ship, the Godfrey de Bouillon, out of Boulogne—about ten miles off—Reuter.

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"SHENGKING"	Shanghai 4 p.m. 13th Dec.
"YUNNAN"	Singapore & Penang 4 p.m. 13th Dec.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	Singapore & Penang 4 p.m. 17th Dec.
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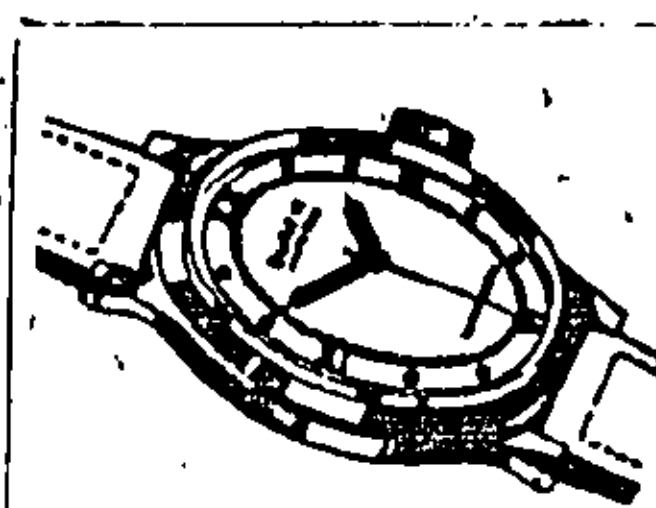
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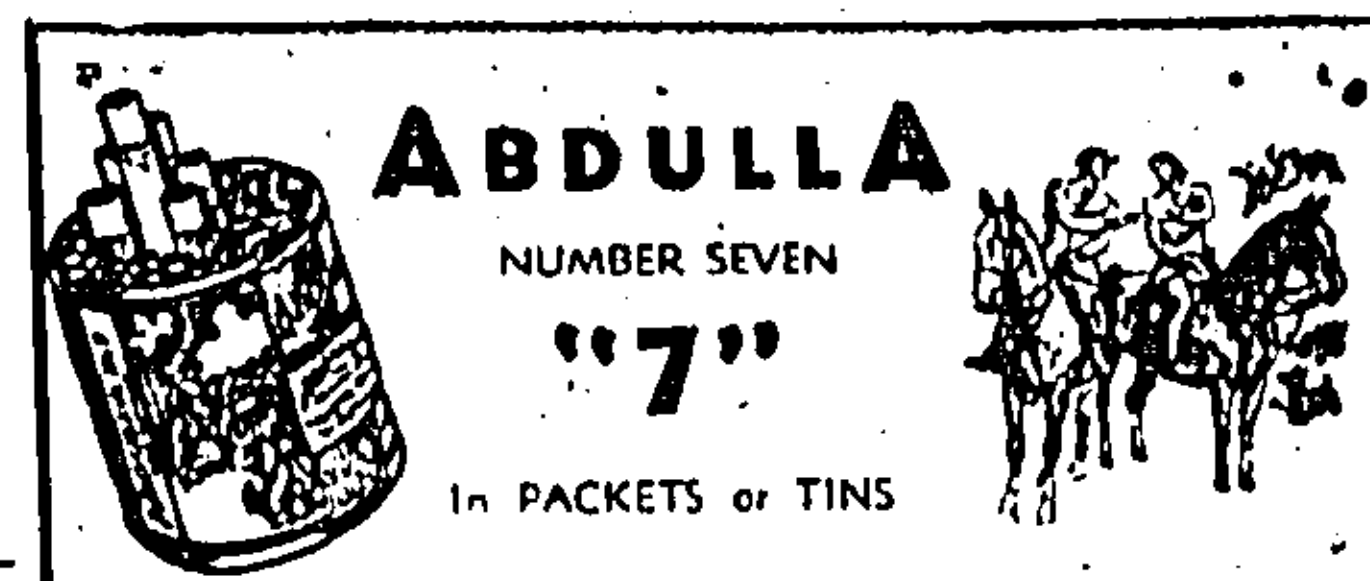
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Soccer:

S. China "A", Kit Chee Enter Second Round

There were no surprises in yesterday's Senior Challenge Shield soccer games, both South China "A" and Kit Chee qualifying for the Second Round as expected, at the expense of Royal Navy and Kwong Wah respectively.

The game between South China "A" and Royal Navy at Caroline Hill was played in a clean and sporting spirit throughout and ended in a win for the Chinese by three clear goals.

Although the sailors went down, they were by no means disgraced, on the other hand, they further enhanced the prestige of Royal Navy with the Chinese spectators, who have always been of the opinion that the sailors never fail to conduct themselves as "gentlemen"—win or lose.

The match between Kit Chee and Kwong Wah at Causeway Bay, which resulted in a victory for Kit Chee by two clear goals, proved to be a dull and listless affair.

In the Junior Shield Competition, Taitook, who eliminated Sing Tao from the Competition last year, again proved themselves to be "gentlemen" when they beat Police at Boundary Street by two goals to one.

At Caroline Hill, Chinese A.A. beat Kit Chee by two clear goals in a game which was marred by a foul towards the end. One of the Chinese players was sent off the field for allegedly kicking an opponent.

Extra time was necessary in the game between PCA and Taitook, which ended in a victory for the latter by two goals to one.

**South China "A" 3—
Royal Navy 0**

A feature of this game was the steady manner in which Lai Shu-king was shadowed throughout the match, with the result that he was never able to get in a decent shot at goal.

The honours in the first half went to South China, who scored twice. In the second period, the sailors stormed the Chinese goal end, but their forwards were in form, they would have, without doubt, carried off the honours.

The third goal for the Chinese came in a late breakaway, when a counter-attack by Chu Wing-keung netted.

Within five minutes of the start, the home side went ahead when Ho Ying-fun was put well away and rounded Convey to square the ball. In the centre, Tse Kuan-ho who had cut in, met the ball and drove it hard beyond Adie's reach.

There seemed to be a lack of understanding in the Navy lines and the left wing of Ho and Lai were allowed a lot of scope. The latter was well policed but he did manage to set his wing going.

South China were not having things all their own way and at the other end Gilliam came near with the Navy's first effort.

Navy forced two corners on the left and from the second Gilliam again got in a good drive that just missed the goal.

Again the sailors came down and the diminutive Clarke was put well away by Gilliam. The winger centred to his partner and the latter's shot flew past the upright.

High Drive

At the other end, South China were awarded a free kick and Soung, who took the kick, sent the ball well over the goal.

The Chinese forced a corner over on the right and from it Lau got control of the ball and fired in a high drive that put them two up.

During the second half, the sailors were on the attack for long periods and it was only luck that the Chinese were able to escape a chance to equalise and take the lead. Clarke on the left wing was not in good form and on two occasions he should have controlled the ball and shot; instead he rocketed the ball over the bar.

Gilliam came to the fore when he made two feints and eluded two defenders to get into a shooting position, but his parting effort went over the bar.

Clarke came into the picture with a couple of drives but he was well policed and he was not able to get a shot off. On the rebound, Wong cut in to score the second and last goal of the game.

Undaunted by this reverse, Kwong Wah tried to force the issue, but their forwards just could not get going. Twice in succession they were fouled out of the game. Lo missed when favourably placed.

Kit Chee—Cheung Koon-hing; Yek Lu-wah and Mok Kam-chung; Lee Ping-chu Yau Wah-ching; Lo Wal-kuen; Tang Kwong-sun, Kwok Ying-kee, Chu Fook, Cheung Chung-kan and Kwong Wah—Tam Woon-chau; Loing Kok-fu and Leung Pak-wai; Wong Tse-wan; Tang Yee-shai; and Leung Fook-chung; Ng Pui-yan, Lau Wai-man, Lo Tak-fai, Tang Yee-kai and Lo Tak-hing.

Kit Chee 2— Kwong Wah 0

Only a mere handful of spectators were present at Causeway Bay for this game, which was regarded by a considerable amount of the crowd looking by players on both sides.

Were it not for the brilliant display put up by Tam Woon-chau, the Kwong Wah defence, Kit Chee might have won by a larger margin. Fung and Koon, the players who were sent off for fouls, cleared his way well. He was only supported by Leung Pak-wai at left back, who was tireless in his efforts and broke up many raids with his first time clearances.

The Kit Chee forwards were inclined to pass the ball around too much instead of shooting and were thus robbed of many scoring opportunities.

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Home Soccer Standings.

First Division

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Derby	20	12	6	2	38	18	30
Tottenham	20	10	7	3	33	17	27
Newcastle	20	10	7	3	19	27	27
Arsenal	20	9	6	5	29	15	24
Manchester U.	20	9	6	5	42	23	24
Stoke City	20	9	6	5	41	22	24
Wolves	20	8	6	6	41	22	22
Bolton	20	8	7	5	33	25	22
Charlton	20	8	7	5	33	25	22
Blackpool	20	7	7	6	30	31	21
Manchester C.	20	7	7	6	28	31	21
Liverpool	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Wed.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Utd.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Mon.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. T.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. F.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. B.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. A.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. G.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. H.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. I.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. J.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. K.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. L.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
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Sheff. P.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Q.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. R.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. S.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. T.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. U.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. V.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. W.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. X.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Y.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21
Sheff. Z.	20	7	7	6	21	29	21

Second Division

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
W.A.A.	19	11	5	3	32	16	27
Tottenham	19	9	7	3	33	17	27
Newcastle	19	10	7	3	19	27	27
Arsenal	19	9	6	4	29	15	24
Manchester U.	19	9	6	4	42	23	24
Stoke City	19	9	6	4	41	22	24
Wolves	19	8	6	5	41	22	22
Bolton	19	8	7	5	33	25	22
Charlton	19	8	7	5	33	25	22
Blackpool	19	7	7	5	30	31	21
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Sheff. Mon.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. T.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. F.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. B.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. A.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. G.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. H.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. I.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. J.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. K.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. L.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. M.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. N.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. O.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. P.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. Q.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. R.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. S.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. T.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. U.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. V.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. W.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. X.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. Y.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21
Sheff. Z.	19	7	7	5	21	29	21

Third Division (North)

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rotherham	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Hull	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Doncaster	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Wed.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Utd.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Mon.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. T.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. F.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. B.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. A.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. G.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. H.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. I.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. J.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. K.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. L.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. M.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. N.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. O.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. P.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Q.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. R.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. S.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. T.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. U.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. V.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. W.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. X.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Y.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33
Sheff. Z.	19	10	4	5	28	22	33

Third Division (South)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	T.	P.	A.
Swansea	19	13	4	2	48	1	2
Bournemouth	21	12	1	8	35	2	1
Bristol	19	9	7	3	33	2	2
Sheff. Wed.	21	10	4	7	30	3	1
Sheff. Utd.	21	10	7	4	30	3	1
Sheff. Mon.	20	10	2	8	30	2	2
Sheff. T.	18	9	2	7	34	2	2
Sheff. F.	18	8	4	6	30	2	2
Sheff. B.	19	8	4	7	31	2	2
Sheff. A.	19	6	7	6	33	3	1
Sheff. G.	20	7	3	9	24	3	3
Sheff. H.	18	7	4	7	21	2	2
Sheff. I.	19	7	4	8	29	4	1
Sheff. J.	17	3	3	8	25	5	2
Sheff. K.	18	6	4	8	22	5	2
Sheff. L.	18	8	6	5	16	5	2
Sheff. M.	19	3	4	9	19	6	1
Sheff. N.	18	4	5	9	22	6	1
Sheff. O.	18	3	3	11	28	7	1
Sheff. P.	19	3	6	10	24	7	1